

## 'Our country is full': Trump says migrants straining system

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**CALEXICO, Calif. (AP)** — Declaring "our country is full," President Donald Trump on Friday insisted the U.S. immigration system was overburdened and illegal crossings must be stopped as he inspected a refurbished section of fencing at the Mexican border.

Trump, making a renewed push for border security as a central campaign issue for his 2020 reelection, participated in a briefing on immigration and border security in Calexico before viewing a 2-mile (3.2-kilometer) see-through steel-slat barrier that was a long-planned replacement for an older barrier — and not new wall.

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President Donald Trump visits a new section of the border wall with Mexico in Calexico, Calif., Friday April 5, 2019. Gloria Chavez with the U.S. Border Patrol, center, and Homeland Security Secretary Kirstjen Nielsen listen.

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"There is indeed an emergency on our southern border," Trump said at the briefing, adding that there has been a sharp uptick in illegal crossings. "It's a colossal surge, and it's overwhelming our immigration system. We can't take you anymore. Our country is full."

As Air Force One touched down in the state, California and 19 other states that are suing Trump over his emergency declaration to build a border wall requested a court order to stop money from being diverted to fund the project. But Trump, who ratcheted up his hard-line immigration rhetoric in recent weeks, declared that his move, which included vetoing a congressional vote, was necessary.

Also on Friday, House Democrats filed a lawsuit preventing Trump from spending more money than Congress has approved to erect barriers along the southwestern border. Congress approved just un-

der \$1.4 billion for work on border barricades. Trump has asserted he can use his powers as chief executive to transfer an additional \$6.7 billion to wall construction. Trump, who earlier in the week threatened to shut down the border over the high numbers of migrants trying to enter the U.S., appeared to walk back his comments Thursday. He said Friday that it was because Mexico had gotten tougher in stopping an influx of immigrants from moving north.

"Mexico has been absolutely terrific for the last four days," the president said as he left the White House. "I never changed my mind at all. I may shut it down at some point."

The president's visit came a day after he withdrew his nominee to lead U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement. Longtime border official Ron Vitiello appeared to be cruising toward confirmation, but Trump said Friday that he wanted to go in a "tougher direction."

Trump, as he so often does,



**A U.S. Customs and Border Protection vehicle sits near the wall as President Donald Trump visits a new section of the border wall with Mexico in Calexico, Calif., Friday April 5, 2019.**

**Associated Press**

mixed fact with fiction when warning of the threat at the border. When complaining about the Flores legal settlement that governs treatment of migrant children and families, he blamed "Judge Flores, whoever you may be." But Flores was an unaccompanied 15-year-old girl from El Salvador.

He also downplayed the claims of people seeking asylum at the border, declaring without evidence that many are gang members while comparing some of their efforts to find safety in the U.S. to special counsel Robert Mueller's investigation of Russian interference in the 2016 elections. "It's a scam, it's a hoax," Trump said. "I know about hoaxes. I just went through a hoax."

As the president showed off the renovated section of the barrier to reporters, a balloon depicting Trump as a baby floated further down the border. And as Trump landed in California, the state's governor ripped the president's push for Congress to pass legislation that would tighten asylum rules to make it harder for people to qualify.

"Since our founding, this country has been a place of refuge — a safe haven for people fleeing tyranny,

oppression and violence. His words show a total disregard of the Constitution, our justice system, and what it means to be an American," said Democratic Gov. Gavin Newsom.

Trump has been increasingly exasperated at his inability to halt the swelling number of migrants entering the U.S., including thousands who have been released after arriving because border officials have no space for them. Arrests along the southern border have skyrocketed in recent months, and border agents were on track to make 100,000 arrests or denials of entry in March, a 12-year high. More than half of those are families with children, who require extra care.

The southern border is nearly 2,000 miles (3,200 kilometers) long and already has about 650 miles (1,050 kilometers) of different types of barriers, including short vehicle barricades and tall steel fences that go up to 30 feet (9 meters) high. Most of the fencing was built during George W. Bush's administration, and there have been updates and maintenance throughout other administrations.

Trump has yet to complete any new mileage of fencing or other barriers anywhere on the border,

though he declared Friday that at least 400 miles (650 kilometers) of the border barrier would be erected over the next two years. His administration so far has only replaced existing fencing. Construction for that small chunk of fencing cost about \$18 million, began in February 2018 and was completed in October. Plans to replace that fence date back to 2009, during President Barack Obama's tenure. Administration officials had been studying ways to minimize the economic impact of a potential border closure in case Trump went through with his threat, including keeping trucking lanes open or closing only certain ports. But even absent that extraordinary step, delays at border stations have been mounting after some 2,000 border officers were reassigned from checking vehicles to deal with migrant crowds.

After the border visit, Trump was slated to travel to Los Angeles, where he was set to hold a pair of fundraisers in the deeply liberal city. He was then poised to travel to Las Vegas for another reelection fundraiser and an address to the Republican Jewish Coalition, which is backed by GOP mega-donor Sheldon Adelson. □

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In this Nov. 9, 2018 file photo, acting ICE director Ron Vitiello speaks during an interview in Richmond, Va.

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## Trump sidelines immigration nominee for 'tougher direction'

By COLLEEN LONG and JILL COLVIN  
Associated Press

WASHINGTON (AP) — The notice to Congress from the White House was met with confusion: Why would President Donald Trump withdraw his nominee to lead U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement? Longtime border official Ron Vitiello appeared to be cruising toward confirmation. One Senate committee had endorsed his nomination and a second was likely to follow suit despite opposition from some Democrats and a union representing some agency officers.

No one in the Department of Homeland Security, which oversees the immigration agency, had been notified about the intention to remove Vitiello from consideration, according to people familiar with the decision. Officials at Homeland Security and congressional aides thought it must have been a paperwork error made by the White House personnel office that would be resolved quickly. Turns out, it wasn't a mistake. It was just another day in the Trump administration.

The president on Friday confirmed he had pulled the nomination, even as he called Vitiello a "good man."

"But we're going in a tougher direction. We want to go in a tougher direction," he said.

Trump did not explain what that meant and did not say whom he had in mind as a replacement. But the decision, first reported by The Associated Press, comes as his administration is struggling to deal with an influx of Central American migrants, which has led to a 12-year high in U.S.-Mexico border crossings, straining the U.S. immigration system. Trump had threatened to close the border entirely to cope with the flow, before backing off this week.

In a letter addressed to all ICE employees Friday, Vitiello thanked the president and members of Congress for their support.

"No matter the external circumstances, I am grateful knowing you remain engaged and dedicated to the critical work of protecting our communities from the transnational criminal organizations and cross-border crime that threatens our nation," he wrote.

"While I will not become the permanent director of ICE, I look forward to working alongside you in serving the American public with Integrity, Courage, and Excellence."

Six government and congressional officials involved in immigration issues suggested the decision to drop Vitiello could be an impulsive staff shake-up driven by the fact that White House policies intended to stop migrants have not succeeded. Many blamed Stephen Miller, the influential West Wing aide, for the decision on Vitiello and saw it as part of a plan to replace longtime immigration officials with hard-liners who appealed more to allies of Trump and Miller. The officials were not authorized to discuss internal deliberations and spoke on condition of anonymity.

Vitiello had been scheduled to travel with Trump to the border Friday but was told late Thursday he wasn't going, one of the people said.

He has been acting head since June of the agency that enforces U.S. immigration law in the interior of the United States. He has more than 30 years of law enforcement experience, starting in 1985 with the U.S. Border Patrol. He was previously Border Patrol chief and deputy commissioner of U.S. Customs and Border Protection, which oversees the patrol.

Vitiello was respected by his staff as a border veteran, but his experience mostly with Border Patrol, made him an odd fit to some at ICE, and some veterans of the agency said

he never seemed totally in his element. He ran afoul of some of the union leadership, which opposed him in part because they said he was disingenuous. Union leader Chris Crane wrote a letter to the senators saying citing certain tweets Vitiello made from a private account, arguing he "lacks the judgment and professionalism to effectively lead a federal agency."

He took over during a time of heightened scrutiny of the agency. Part of its mission is to arrest immigrants who are in the U.S. illegally, and that has made the agency a symbol of Trump's policies and a target for Democrats.

Trump has been railing against increasing border crossings, as well as the release of thousands of migrants into the U.S. because of a lack of space to hold them, a move he derides as "catch and release."

It's a battle cry on a signature issue for the president, who wants to restrict immigration but whose policies have largely failed to do so. But in recent months, the number of families crossing into the U.S. has climbed to record highs, pushing the system to the breaking point. As a result, ICE was releasing families faster, in greater numbers and farther from the border. Since Dec. 21, the agency set free more than 125,000 people who came into the U.S. as families.

Trump on Friday was touring a recently built portion of replacement fencing that he is holding up as the answer to stop the recent surge of migrant families coming to the U.S.

Though the 2-mile section is only a long-planned replacement for an older barrier, the White House describes it as the first section of his proposed border wall. It's commemorated with a plaque bearing Trump's name and those of top immigration and homeland security officials — but not Vitiello's. □

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# South Carolina: Nevada push to move plutonium repeats risks

By SCOTT SONNER

Associated Press

**RENO, Nev. (AP)** — Nevada's demand for the U.S. government to remove weapons-grade plutonium that was secretly trucked to a site north of Las Vegas last year contradicts its claim that moving radioactive material is dangerous, according to lawyers for South Carolina, where the shipment originated.

South Carolina and the U.S. Energy Department filed their first responses this week to Nevada's legal challenge in the 9th U.S. Circuit Court of Appeals. Nevada appealed after a federal judge in Reno refused to temporarily ban any more shipments to the state.

The Trump administration has promised no more plutonium will be transported to Nevada from the Savannah River Site in South Carolina or any other nuclear facility. But government attorneys say the courts have no legal power to undo the shipment that's already been made.

South Carolina says moving the plutonium from the Nevada National Security Site would "repeat the risks of effects that Nevada claimed in district court would cause it irreparable harm."

"The public's interest does not favor unnecessary shipments of defense plutonium over the nation's highways," South Carolina Attorney General Alan Wilson wrote in a brief filed Monday.

"The plutonium is currently stored in a safe, secure environment at NNSS, which is more than equipped for this task — as it has done for decades. The plutonium should remain there until (the U.S. is) prepared to transfer it to its ultimate home in New Mexico," the document says.

The shipment of one-half metric ton (1,102 pounds) of plutonium — which was kept secret until January — was part of the government's effort to comply with an earlier court order to remove at least a metric ton



In this Nov., 20, 2013, file photo, radioactive waste, sealed in large stainless steel canisters, are stored under a five-feet of concrete in a storage building at the Savannah River Site near Aiken, S.C.

(2,204 pounds) of the material from the Savannah River Site by Jan. 1, 2020. The Energy Department unsuccessfully appealed the December 2016 order, arguing that removing the plutonium by the deadline was "simply impossible" if it also complied with environmental laws.

Nevada's lawyers said that months later, "the impossible happened" and the Department of Energy completed an analysis declaring the Nevada site a prime candidate for indefinitely housing the material. "DOE's previous capacity, safety, security and surveillance concerns magically disappeared," Nevada said in its appeal.

The government's new filing says Nevada took those comments out of context. It says references to potential radiation exposure and difficulty meeting the 2020 deadline were tied to an initial plan to dilute the plutonium into waste — a process known as "down blending" — for disposal.

"The weapons-useable plutonium at issue here is not being 'down blended' or turned into waste. ... The

plutonium here is being repurposed for weapons production," government lawyers wrote.

Nevada's concerns that the shipping containers may experience corrosion and are unsafe for storage come from an earlier federal declaration, which discussed handling plutonium

in a different form. The government disclosed in its filing that the plutonium shipped to Nevada was in solid metal form and lacks the same concerns.

Monica Moarez, spokeswoman for Nevada's attorney general, said in an email to The Associated Press late Thursday that the

office was still reviewing the latest documents and had no immediate comment.

U.S. Judge Miranda Du in Reno denied a motion seeking to block any shipments pending the appeal. She said the matter was moot because the plutonium already had been shipped. □

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# Should the SAT be optional? Bribery scandal renews debate



This combination photo shows actresses Felicity Huffman, left, and Lori Loughlin outside of federal court in Boston on Wednesday, April 3, 2019, where they face charges in a nationwide college admissions bribery scandal.

By CAROLYN THOMPSON  
Associated Press

**BUFFALO, N.Y. (AP)** — The most brazen abuses of standardized testing in the college bribery scandal could be chalked up to security lapses: the ringer hired to take the SAT, the proctors paid to look the other way, the accommodations for extra time obtained through false diagnoses of disabilities.

But the scheme in which wealthy parents allegedly bribed their children's way into top schools also has highlighted deeper concerns about the fairness of using SAT and ACT tests — focal points of a billion-dollar consulting industry and gatekeepers for a U.S. admissions system already seen as favoring wealth and privilege.

Hundreds of colleges in recent years have made it optional for applicants to submit test scores in an effort to promote equity and diversify applicant pools. Lately, their ranks have been growing by the week. David Hawkins, executive

director for educational content and policy at the National Association for College Admission Counseling, said he expects more colleges will explore going test-optional.

"In the long term, the conversation — even without the bribery scandal of a couple of weeks ago — the conversation about access to higher education has been simmering for a long time, and is starting to take shape in a way that we really are examining every aspect of the admission process to understand fully how it either promotes or inhibits access," he said.

The ringleader, admissions consultant Rick Singer, was among 50 people charged in the scheme that involved bribes paid to test administrators and college coaches. Perfectly legal, however, are \$1,000-an-hour tutors and coaches hired to guide affluent students through the admissions maze, including rigorous test preparation.

In California, lawmakers disgusted with the fraud

have proposed reforms to prevent a repeat, including a discussion of whether it's time to phase out the tests at public colleges statewide.

David Coleman, the chief executive of the College Board, which administers the SAT, said he agrees that commercial prep classes have corrupted the test. But he said the solution is not to do away with the tests, which he sees as complementing a student's high school grades and as a check on grade inflation, which also tends to benefit wealthy students. "We've got to admit the truth, that wealth inequality has progressed to such a degree that it isn't fair to look at test scores alone," Coleman said. "That you must look at them in context of the adversity students face."

To that end, College Board has begun piloting an "Environmental Context Dashboard" to measure SAT scores in relation to the student's neighborhood and school. In its pilot phase,

the dashboard helped Florida State University admit about 400 more students from disadvantaged backgrounds — which are more likely to be students of color — in 2018, said John Barnhill, the university's associate vice president for enrollment management.

But despite a growing number of schools moving away from standardized tests, most U.S. colleges still require them just as much as a high school transcript and application fee. Last year, about 2.1 million students took the SAT, and about 1.9 million took the ACT. At the University of San Francisco, which announced a shift in its standardized test policy last week, administrators said SAT and ACT scores are more reflective of a student's economic background than their academic abilities.

DePauw University, the University of Minnesota Crookston, University of Denver and Bucknell University are among others to say recently they won't ask for the results, joining

roughly 1,000 other schools, according to the nonprofit group FairTest, which argues standardized tests are biased against minority groups. The list includes elite liberal arts colleges as well as research universities and for-profit schools. Those caught up in the scheme require scores.

Technology is letting institutions that may have once relied heavily on them to consider other measures, said Dan King, president of the American Association of University Administrators. "Now a college can look very quickly at the high school. What do we know about this high school, about students who come from here? What do we know about students who come with four units of English and three units of science and students who took chemistry? We can plug all of those into formulae, which give us a lot of information that we just didn't have before," he said.

A study published last April of nearly 1 million applicants found that when given the choice to submit scores, about a quarter of applicants did not. Female, underrepresented and low-income applicants chose not to submit scores at higher rates than male applicants. Black students were about twice as likely to exclude scores as white students. Philip Sheppard, 20, from Houston, knew his SAT scores weren't great when he applied for Hilbert College just outside of Buffalo, New York. He included them in his application to the test-optional school anyway, hoping the additional effort would be rewarded.

"I saw it was optional but I submitted it just to solidify a place in the class," said Sheppard, who said he scored just under 1,000 out of a possible 1,600. "My thought process was, my scores weren't the highest so I just used them as something, 'Hey, I went the extra mile to take the SAT. Even though I didn't do the best, still I gave it my best shot.'" □





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## FBI, Bureau of Prisons ordered to probe LGBTQ discrimination

By **MICHAEL BALSAMO**

Associated Press

**NEW YORK (AP)** — Attorney General William Barr has ordered the FBI and the Bureau of Prisons to investigate allegations of discrimination against LGBTQ employees, he said in a letter released Friday.

The announcement came in response to concerns from DOJ Pride, a group that represents thousands of LGBTQ employees at the Justice Department and its component agencies.

The group's board of directors sent a letter to Barr last week that asked him to sign an equal employment opportunity statement and raised concerns from a survey of its members. The concerns included allegations that lesbian, gay, bisexual and transgender agents at the FBI academy face discrimination and different evaluation standards, as well as gay agents being dismissed from the academy "because they are not 'bro-y' or masculine enough."

Members said it is hard for gay men and transgender employees to work at the Bureau of Prisons and the agency doesn't attract or retain them.

Others were concerned the Justice Department is not as much of a "welcoming, inclusive environment" for LGBTQ employees as it once was, the letter said. "Given the crucial role the Department fulfills in our society\_enforcing the nation's laws and administering justice\_we are concerned that so many employees who dedicate themselves to the Department do not think the Department values them, or that it attracts the best and brightest of the LGBTQ community," the board members said. □

## Ex-Rep. Anthony Weiner ordered to register as sex offender

By **MICHAEL R. SISAK**

Associated Press

**NEW YORK (AP)** — Former Rep. Anthony Weiner was ordered Friday to register as a sex offender as he nears the end of a 21-month prison sentence for having illicit online contact with a 15-year-old girl.

A New York City judge designated Weiner a Level 1 offender under the state's version of what's known as Megan's Law, meaning that he is thought to have a low risk of reoffending.

Weiner, a once-rising star in the Democratic Party who served nearly 12 years in Congress, has been living in a halfway house since February after serving most of his sentence at a prison in Massachusetts.

He's due to be released May 14 but still faces three years of court supervision.

Weiner, 54, must register for a minimum of 20 years. He is required to verify his address every year, notify the state within 10 days of moving and visit a police station every three years to have a new picture taken.

Because of his low-level designation, Weiner's information won't show up in the state's online sex offender registry but will be available via a toll-free telephone number.

Weiner didn't attend Friday's court hearing. Messages seeking comment were emailed to his lawyers.

Weiner pleaded guilty in May 2017 to transferring obscene material to a mi-



In this Sept. 25, 2017 file photo, former Congressman Anthony Weiner leaves federal court following his sentencing in New York.

Associated Press

nor.

Prosecutors said he had a series of sexually explicit Skype and Snapchat exchanges with a North Carolina high school student and encouraged the teen to strip naked and touch herself sexually.

At his sentencing, Weiner said he'd been a "very sick man for a very long time" and said he had a sex addiction.

Weiner's lawyer said the former lawmaker likely exchanged thousands of messages with hundreds of women over the years and was communicating with up to 19 women when he encountered the teenager.

It wasn't the first time Weiner had been caught acting inappropriately.

After sending a lewd picture of himself to a college student in 2011, Weiner claimed his account had been hacked, then admitted online interactions with

at least six other women while married to top Hillary Clinton aide Huma Abedin. Weiner resigned from Congress, only to try for a political comeback with a run for New York City mayor in 2013. Then came the revelation that Weiner had used the alias "Carlos Danger" to send explicit photos to at least one woman after resigning from Congress.

Weiner received less than 5% of the Democratic primary vote.

The investigation into Weiner's contact with the 15-year-old roiled the 2016 presidential campaign because emails Clinton had sent to Abedin were found on a laptop computer FBI agents seized from him.

That led then-FBI Director James Comey to announce just days before the election that that agency was reopening its investigation into Clinton's use of a private email server while secretary of state. □



# UK's prime minister asks EU to delay Brexit until June 30

By GREGORY KATZ  
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Associated Press

**LONDON (AP)** — British Prime Minister Theresa May on Friday again sought to delay Brexit until June 30 to avoid a chaotic withdrawal from the European Union in one week, although a key leader of the bloc suggested an even longer pause in the difficult divorce proceedings. The question over timing is vital because Britain is set to leave the EU without a withdrawal deal in place on April 12 unless an agreement is reached at a Brussels summit set to take place two days earlier.

In a letter to European Council President Donald Tusk, May asked for an extension until the end of June and agreed to make contingency plans to take part in European Parliament elections on May 23-26 if necessary.

An earlier British request for a delay until June 30 was rejected last month, amid rising irritation from EU leaders about the political chaos in London. There also has been increasing fears that the longer the U.K. stays, the more it will obstruct EU policies and plans.

Tusk proposed a longer time frame Friday and he urged the 27 remaining EU nations to offer the U.K. a flexible extension of up to a year to make sure the nation doesn't leave the bloc in a chaotic way that could undermine commerce and hurt many EU nations.

Two EU officials said Tusk wants a one-year period, which has been dubbed a "flexextension," and hopes to get it approved at the EU summit on April 10. The officials spoke on condition of anonymity because they weren't authorized to disclose information before it was made public.

Such a move would mean that the U.K. would need to take part in the elections to the European Parliament, something May has long argued would not be in either side's interest.

The elections pose a substantial stumbling block



Environment, Maritime Affairs and Fisheries European Commissioner Karmenu Vella talks to journalists during a news conference the European Commission headquarters in Brussels, Friday, April 5, 2019.

because Britain would be expected to take part, if it is still an EU member, so its people have representation in the European Parliament. Officials worry that the legitimacy of European institutions could be jeopardized if the population of a member state is not involved in the process.

EU nations already have watched nearly three years of political anxiety over Brexit.

French President Emmanuel Macron has thus far seemed cagey about giving Britain more time, saying the bloc cannot be held hostage by Britain's political deadlock over Brexit.

There are also concerns in Europe that some British politicians who want to provoke a "no-deal" Brexit might try to make trouble from inside the bloc, a course that outspoken Brexit advocate Jacob Rees-Mogg suggested Friday.

He tweeted that "if a long extension leaves us stuck in the EU, we should be as difficult as possible."

The Conservative Party lawmaker suggested using Britain's position to veto any EU budget increases, block the establishment of an EU army, and make it impossible for Macron to push further EU integration.

One EU diplomat said that there was rising concern among member states that they would not get "sincere cooperation" from Britain, which could hurt how the bloc functions.

"There are important decisions to be taken after EU elections," said the official, who spoke on condition of anonymity to comment on closed-door meetings preparing for next week's summit.

There also were fears about a chaotic Brexit on April 12. There are concerns that such an abrupt exit with-

out a deal could lead to economic slowdown and a breakdown in food and medical supplies as border checks and tariffs are added overnight. Massive traffic jams could also be expected on highways leading to major ferry ports. The complex maneuvering on dates comes as Britain's Parliament considers legislation designed to prevent such a "no-deal" departure.

Britain's upper House of Lords is set to resume debate on the measure Monday. It was endorsed ear-

lier by the lower House of Commons by just one vote. Despite the apparent support in Parliament for a new law to prevent a no-deal exit, the decision is in the hands of the EU, not Britain. It is the first country to try to leave the bloc, and the formal "Article 50" exit procedure has never been tested before. All 27 nations have to agree unanimously on an extension.

The Europeans would prefer that Britain not take part in the European Parliament elections if it is going to leave. April 12 is the last day for Britain to signal whether it will field candidates.

May said in her letter that Britain is reluctantly ready to begin preparations for the European elections if no Brexit deal is reached in the interim. She said she is making the preparations even though she believes it is not in the interest of either Britain or the EU for her country to participate because it is leaving the bloc. May's withdrawal plan, reached with the EU over more than two years of negotiations, has been rejected by the U.K. Parliament three times.

She is now seeking a compromise in a series of talks with Labour Party leader Jeremy Corbyn and his deputies, with hopes of winning opposition support for a new divorce deal. □

## Macron calls for probe into French role in Rwanda genocide



The names of those who were slaughtered as they sought refuge in the church, many with the same surname indicating a family, are written on a memorial to the thousands who were killed in and around the Catholic church during the 1994 genocide, outside the church in Ntarama, Rwanda Friday, April 5, 2019.

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**PARIS (AP)** — French President Emmanuel Macron

has ordered a government study into the country's role in Rwanda before and dur-

ing its 1994 genocide.

Macron met Friday with victims of the genocide, and a Rwandan group working to teach future generations about it.

Rwanda is this weekend marking the 25th anniversary of the start of the ethnic slaughter of some 800,000 people, mainly ethnic Tutsis.

Macron ordered a commission of researchers and historians to scour archives "to analyze the role and involvement of France" in Rwanda from 1990-1994. It is to produce conclusions within two years. □





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## Victorious Algerians protest en masse to urge new departures

By AOMAR OUALI

Associated Press

ALGIERS, Algeria (AP) —

Masses of Algerians whose pro-democracy movement forced out longtime President Abdelaziz Bouteflika sang and celebrated their victory Friday — and demanded that other top figures leave too.

Huge crowds surged through Algiers boulevards and marched toward the central post office, key symbol of a peaceful movement that has upended this energy-rich North African country in just weeks.

The crowd appeared the largest yet over seven straight Fridays of protests against a power structure seen as corrupt and repressive, according to an Associated Press reporter who has covered each one.

Despite being crammed shoulder to shoulder at some points in the hours-long demonstration, protesters remained good-spirited, with palpable joy at Bouteflika's resignation.

It is their first protest since Bouteflika resigned this week under pressure from protesters and the powerful army.



Demonstrators hold the Algerian flag during a rally in Algiers, Friday April 5, 2019. Thousands of Algerians are chanting, singing and cheering after their movement forced out longtime President Abdelaziz Bouteflika - and demanding that other top figures leave too.

"Game Over" read some signs. "The people want them all to leave!" protesters chanted.

But the crowds kept coming, including people from around Africa's biggest country.

"It's a little victory, but others should leave too," said Salim Mehdi, a 40-year-old protester from the town of Bouira. Mehdi still lives with

his parents and hasn't married because he's never found a solid job — and one reason he's protesting is the limited economic opportunity for those outside the political elite.

However, he said he's mainly protesting to show his frustration at a "corrupt, rotten system" where the same faces have been in charge for too long.

The protesters now want the departure of the men who head Algeria's three branches of power: the prime minister, the upper house of parliament's chief and the president of the constitutional court.

Some brandished signs calling for the exit of "the three Bs" — Prime Minister Nouredine Bedoui, Constitutional Council President

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Tayeb Belaiz, and upper house of parliament president Abdelkader Bensalah. With the president gone, Bensalah — a Bouteflika ally — is expected to take over as interim leader while Algeria organizes elections. It's unclear what would happen if "the three Bs" were really to leave. The movement hasn't coalesced around a single alternative candidate or plan to govern Algeria.

Some of Friday's protesters suggested appointing a government of technocrats — not including any of the current political leadership — while new elections are organized.

Under Friday's spring sun, protesters dangled banners from balconies and roofs. Police stood nearby, watching but not intervening.

Parents carried babies in slings and schoolchildren on shoulders. Protesters cleared the way in tightly packed streets for people in wheelchairs. Algerian flags were used as capes, bandanas and belts — the unifying symbol of a movement with no single political view. □

## Hungarian PM Orban launches campaign with anti-migrant plan



Hungarian Prime Minister Viktor Orban addresses a meeting of the governing Fidesz party, in Budapest, Hungary, Friday, April 5, 2019.

Associated Press

By PABLO GORONDI

Associated Press

BUDAPEST, Hungary (AP) —

Hungary's prime minister on Friday launched his party's campaign for the European Parliamentary elections in May by presenting a seven-point plan against immigration.

Prime Minister Viktor Orban called for migration to be controlled by national governments, not European Union bureaucrats and repeated his view that no country should be forced to accept immigrants against

its will. Orban also urged the EU to stop funding civic groups that support asylum-seekers and said "no one in Europe should suffer discrimination" because they are Christians.

"At stake is whether the EU will have pro-immigration or anti-immigration leaders," Orban told a gathering of Fidesz members and supporters.

"We will decide whether to defend our Christian European culture or yield the terrain to multiculturalism." Last month, the member-

ship of Orban's Fidesz party in the largest bloc in the European Parliament, the center-right European People's Party, was suspended while Orban's policies are scrutinized by an EPP delegation.

Some members of the alliance believe Orban has strayed too far from its Christian Democratic values.

In Orban's assessment, the People's Party is "turning left, in a liberal direction and ... toward a Europe of immigrants." □



# Drug tests then debate in Ukraine's presidential runoff

**Associated Press**

**KIEV, Ukraine (AP)** — The campaign for Ukraine's presidential election has taken a turn for the strange, but voters may find it reassuring that the two candidates in the runoff apparently aren't on drugs. In the latest act of political theater, the two men who came in first and second in Ukraine's March 31 first-round presidential vote, comic actor Volodymyr Zelenskiy and incumbent President Petro Poroshenko, publicly took drug and alcohol tests on Friday. Zelenskiy, 41, later released what he said was a report from the private clinic where he was tested that showed no presence of narcotics or psychoactive drugs. The head doctor of a Kiev narcotics clinic also said quick results from Poroshenko's tests showed no presence of banned substances or alcohol. The unusual testing followed a challenge by Zelenskiy, who got nearly twice as many votes as Poroshenko in the first round of voting — 30.24% to 15.95%. After Poroshenko said he would be willing to debate the comic, Zelenskiy raised the stakes by calling for the debate to be held in the Kiev sports stadium that is



**Ukraine's President Petro Poroshenko takes a blood test in Kiev, Ukraine, Friday, April 5, 2019. Ukraine's presidential candidates have taken alcohol and drug tests before a runoff vote.**

**Associated Press**

the country's largest and saying that both candidates should be tested for drugs and alcohol. Accepting the dare, Poroshenko, 53, went to the stadium to be tested by a doctor there, while Zelenskiy went to a private clinic. So far their debate is scheduled for April 19, two days before Ukraine's presidential runoff on April 21. Zelenskiy has never held political office, but he is famous for playing the role of the country's president in a

TV sitcom. His political opponents say he is vague on the issues, a vivid character but too inexperienced to lead the country. Critics of Poroshenko, meanwhile, note that he has failed to tackle Ukraine's endemic corruption. Poroshenko's willingness to play along with Zelenskiy's challenges could be an attempt to beat the upstart at his own game. "In contrast to Poroshenko, who has nothing to lose

from more public exposure, Zelenskiy has everything to lose. The more people know him, the more they're likely to see that he's just a television president," Rutgers University professor Alexander Motyl wrote in a commentary for the Atlantic Council. The showmanship over the testing and debate is notable even in a country with often unruly politics. Fist-fights occasionally break out in Ukraine's parliament, the 2004 presidential elec-

tion results were annulled after weeks of massive peaceful protests and Poroshenko himself came to power in 2014 after bloody protests forced his predecessor to flee to Russia. Poroshenko's campaign spokesman Oleh Medvedev, complained Friday that, unlike the president, Zelenskiy had only taken blood tests and did not give samples of hair or fingernails. "We consider that candidate Zelenskiy did not fulfill his promise," Medvedev said. "The staff of Petro Poroshenko once again recommends to Volodymyr Zelenskiy to understand that this is an election campaign. This is not a show." Medvedev also claimed that the doctor who performed the tests was a Zelenskiy associate who had acted in a comedy serial produced by Zelenskiy's studio. Poroshenko has argued that Zelenskiy's lack of political experience makes him unfit to stand up to the pressure from neighboring Russia, which annexed Ukraine's Crimean Peninsula in 2014 and cast its support behind separatist rebels in eastern Ukraine in a five-year conflict that has left 13,000 dead. □

# Thousands protest at Israel-Gaza fence amid cease-fire deal

**Associated Press**

**GAZA CITY, Gaza Strip (AP)** — Thousands of Palestinians thronged the perimeter fence between Israel and the Hamas-ruled Gaza Strip on Friday as the weekly, bloody demonstrations rolled into their second year. The protest, occurring just days before Israel's April 9 vote, is the first since an Egyptian-brokered deal emerged to end the latest round of cross-border fighting between the enemies. Hamas officials say the agreement promises to ease tight Israeli restrictions on Gaza and provide much-needed economic incentives in exchange for the group keeping border



**Medics move a wounded youth, who was shot by Israeli troops during a protest at the Gaza Strip's border with Israel, into the treatment room of Shifa hospital in Gaza City, Friday, April 5, 2019.**

**Associated Press**

protests peaceful. But demonstrations turned violent on Friday. Dozens approached the barrier,

setting tires ablaze and hurling rocks and makeshift explosives at the fence. Israeli troops responded with

tear gas and live bullets. Gaza's health officials reported that 83 Palestinians were injured, one critically. It did not provide a breakdown of how the injuries were inflicted. It's unclear how long the arrangements will last. Khalil al-Hayya, a senior Hamas official, announced at Friday's rally that the group "doesn't trust" Israel and vowed to continue the weekly demonstrations. It's sensitive timing for Israel, which holds its general election on Tuesday. Earlier Friday, Hamas leader Ismail Haniyeh said the outcome of the Israeli election won't impact Palestinians. He called the vote an internal "Zionist affair."

Prime Minister Benjamin Netanyahu is locked in a heated race for re-election against a party of former army chiefs, which has criticized his failure to deter Gaza rockets. Otherwise, Israel's long-running conflict with the Palestinians has been strikingly absent from political debate. Haniyeh added that differences between Israeli political parties are "very marginal" when it comes to policy toward Palestinians. Hamas launched the protests in March 2018 in an attempt to break the crippling Israeli-Egyptian blockade of the territory. Close to 200 Palestinians and one Israeli soldier have been killed in the demonstrations. □



# Indonesia president has big poll lead as election nears

By STEPHEN WRIGHT  
Associated Press

**JAKARTA, Indonesia (AP)** —

Opinion surveys two weeks ahead of presidential and legislative elections in the world's third-largest democracy show Indonesian President Joko Widodo and his ruling coalition maintaining a large lead over the rival camp.

Four nationwide surveys conducted in the second half of March show Widodo between 13 and 20 percentage points ahead of former special forces general Prabowo Subianto, though undecided voters are as high as 20%.

The race has tightened modestly since late last year, but pollsters say Widodo, who has had a commanding lead for months, especially in populous East and Central Java, is headed for victory in the April 17 election. Widodo, the first Indonesian president from outside the Jakarta elite, has campaigned on progress in upgrading inadequate infrastructure and reducing poverty. He narrowly defeated Subianto in the 2014 president election. Far behind in the polls, Subianto and his team have recently resorted to



In this Sept. 21, 2018, file photo, Indonesian presidential candidates Joko Widodo, left, and his running mate Ma'ruf Amin, show the ballot number that will represent them in the 2019 presidential election, during a draw at the General Election Commission office in Jakarta, Indonesia.

Associated Press

questioning the integrity of the upcoming vote, apparently setting the groundwork for a repeat of his unsuccessful challenge to the 2014 results.

Subianto's ultra-nationalistic campaign has focused on what he sees as Indonesia's weakness in the world relative to its vast land area rich in natural resources and population of

more than 260 million. He has highlighted significant problems facing the country including poverty and particularly the tragedy of stunting — malnutrition in children younger than 5 that causes lifelong physical and mental impairment. But the government has been able to show progress in alleviating those long-standing crises.

The U.N.'s Food and Agriculture Organization and other international agencies said earlier this week that the percentage of Indonesian children suffering from stunting fell to 30.8% from nearly 38% between 2013 and 2018.

During the same period, the reduction in the number of hungry and malnourished people, including children,

has come to a standstill in many other parts of Asia, according to the agencies that included UNICEF, the World Health Organization and World Food Program.

Meanwhile, the Pew Research Center, in research released Thursday, said Indonesians are increasingly optimistic about their country's current and future economic situation.

As of last summer, two thirds of Indonesians said the economy was doing well compared with almost the same number saying it was doing poorly before Widodo was elected in 2014.

The March opinion surveys showed the coalition of parties that has coalesced around Widodo since his election would gain about 60% of the vote compared with 37% for the parties allied with Subianto.

Religion has not figured in the election campaign as prominently as expected in the predominantly Muslim nation. Widodo at least partially neutralized criticism he is insufficiently Muslim by naming a conservative cleric, Ma'ruf Amin, as his running mate.

Personality differences also appear to have worked in Widodo's favor. □

# Duterte warns of 'revolutionary government' and arrests

By JIM GOMEZ  
Associated Press

**MANILA, Philippines (AP)** —

The Philippine president, in his latest outburst against critics, warned he would declare a "revolutionary government" and arrest his detractors if he is pushed against the wall.

President Rodrigo Duterte made the threat late Thursday in a speech in which he expressed exasperation with criticism while trying to fight criminality. Duterte has been known for provocative remarks, which his spokesmen have often downplayed as hyperbole. "I have enough problems with criminality, drugs, rebellion and all, but if you push me to the extreme, I will declare the suspension of the writ of habeas corpus and I will arrest all of



In this Friday, Feb. 22, 2019, file photo, Philippine President Rodrigo Duterte, left, and Moro Islamic Liberation Front chairman Murad Ebrahim, right, flash peace signs following oath-taking ceremony for the creation of the Bangsamoro Transition Authority (BTA) at the Presidential Palace in Manila, Philippines.

Associated Press

you," Duterte said, adding that he is willing to face the consequences. "I am willing to be hanged. I'm willing to die."

Duterte's threat drew concern from democracy and human rights advocates. Former Commission on Human Rights chairwoman

Loretta Ann Rosales said the country's 1987 constitution guarantees freedom of speech, including criticism of officials. She said habeas corpus, which requires the state to justify a citizen's detention, can only be suspended during specific contingencies such as war or dictatorship.

"The president should know that employing tactics from the Marcos playbook does not end well," Rosales said, referring to Ferdinand Marcos, the late Philippine dictator who was ousted in a 1986 popular revolt.

Opposition Sen. Risa Hontiveros said Duterte should confront China over its increasingly aggressive actions in the disputed South China Sea instead of threatening civil liberties. "Instead of standing

up to China's aggression, President Duterte threatens his own people with warrantless arrests and war," Hontiveros said. Duterte acknowledged the term "revolutionary government" wasn't clearly defined, but said that it "usually happens when there is a military coup or (the) president goes against his own government." Known for his expletive-laced speeches, Duterte has been especially sensitive to criticism of his crackdown on illegal drugs, which has left more than 5,000 people dead in clashes police say occurred when suspects fought back. Western governments and human rights groups have expressed alarm over the killings and sought an independent investigation. □

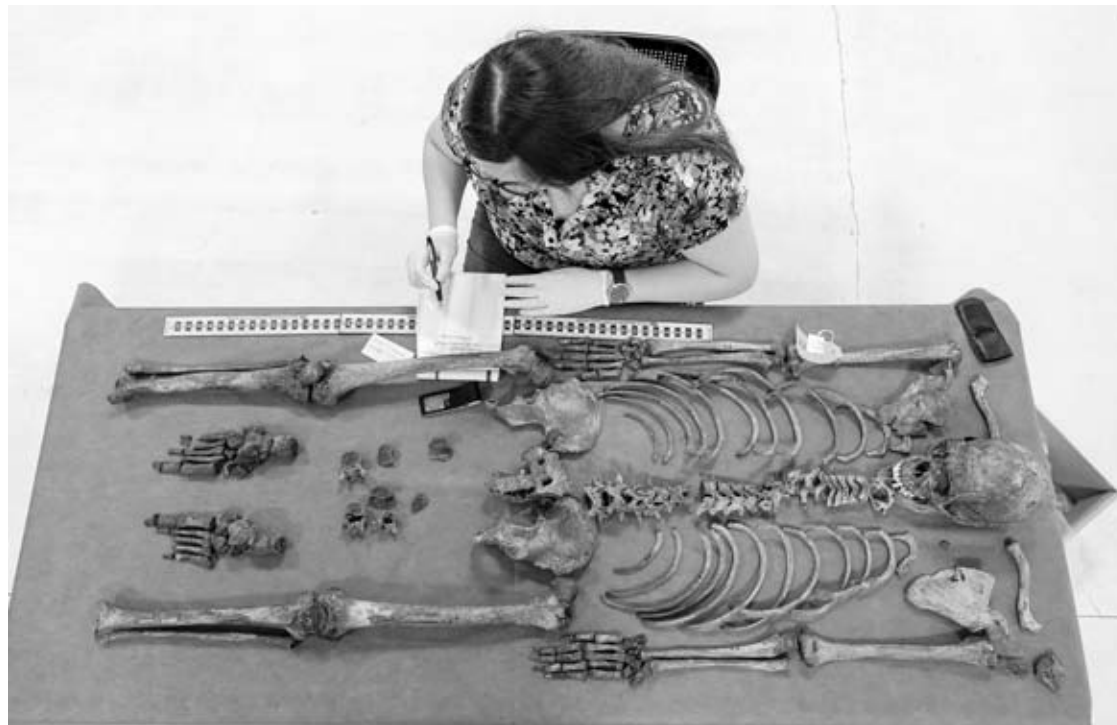


## Argentina: Bodies of 600 disappeared wait to be identified

By **ALMUDENA CALATRAVA**  
**Associated Press**

**BUENOS AIRES, Argentina (AP)** — Bonnie and Daniel Loedel walked into a mausoleum with an urn holding the bone remains of their sister Isabel, who had been unidentified for four decades after being forcibly disappeared during Argentina's military dictatorship. Delivering the simple wooden box was the last step of an arduous identification process that they hope will bring the family closure and, at the same time, thwart the goal of the military regime that human rights groups estimate killed or disappeared 30,000 people while seeking to make its victims invisible. The Remembrance, Truth and Justice Mausoleum for the Victims of State Sponsored Terrorism is at a cemetery in La Plata, a town about 35 miles (58 kilometers) from Argentina's capital of Buenos Aires. It holds the remains of at least a dozen people who were disappeared during the dictatorship.

The remains are a few of those identified by the Argentine Forensic Anthropology Team, an independent group of scientists who developed their expertise identifying victims of the 1976-1983 military junta



In this March 28, 2019 photo, Gala Maruscak, a member of the Argentine Anthropology Forensic Team, examines the skeletal remains of an unidentified missing person in her laboratory, in Buenos Aires, Argentina.

and have since helped unravel human rights atrocities in more than 50 countries.

Friends and family of Isabel Loedel recently gathered at the mausoleum to say goodbye to Isabel, whose remains were identified only last year. She has now rejoined her partner, Julio Di Giacinti, who was identified by the forensic team seven years ago. Both were killed in early 1978 by dictatorship agents.

The Argentine Forensic Anthropology Team has been

working since 1984, a year after Argentina's return to democracy. It has recovered the bodies of more than 1,400 disappeared people and identified 795 of them.

The genetic profiles of the approximately 600 remains that are unidentified don't match any of the samples in the team's database. So the non-governmental group has launched a campaign urging more relatives of the disappeared to provide blood samples to help identify the remain-

ing bodies and allow them proper burials.

The process not only gives a name to the invisible. It also reconstructs their stories and suffering, allowing their loved ones to complete their grieving. "You can let go. You can celebrate their lives and you can let them go, and at the same time it reminds us we can't ever forget ... you cannot erase people, make them invisible," she said of her half-sister, who was 11 years older. Still, Bonnie said, she has only vague memories of

her much older sister. "Isabel was this mysterious person," she said.

"It's been 40 years," Bonnie Loedel said. "When somebody disappears, you can't grieve, she has disappeared. Taking the blood test and finding her was amazing."

Giving blood samples to identify a loved one who died in violent circumstances is a delicate psychological process that can bring back haunting memories.

"It takes a long time to muster courage to do something so simple," said Daniel Di Giacinti, who provided a sample to identify his brother, Isabel's partner. "It sounds easy, but it's not. It was extremely hard for me, and I was a (political) activist."

Juan Carlos Barrera, a member of the Montoneros guerrilla group, was identified under a forensic team initiative in 2009 thanks to a blood sample given by his daughter, Angela. But coming to grips with the past was painful, she said.

"Just calling (the team) was tough. I called several times and hung up," Barrera told The Associated Press. When she finally stayed on the line, she found the team also would provide her with emotional support and she agreed to go ahead. □

## High-risk expedition succeeds with isolated tribe in Brazil

By **SILVIA IZQUIERDO**  
**MAURICIO SAVARESE**  
**Associated Press**

**RIO DE JANEIRO (AP)** — Brazil's agency for indigenous peoples said Friday that a high-risk expedition in the Amazon has reunited an isolated group with relatives and eased tensions with a rival tribe near the border with Peru.

The FUNAI agency said a team of nearly two dozen reached 34 members of the Korubo tribe in the Brazilian state of Amazonas. The expedition included relatives of the Korubos and also aimed to avoid a possible conflict with the Matis tribe living about 12 miles (20 kilometers) away. The Matis tribe repeatedly



In this 2019 handout photo released by Brazil's National Indian Foundation, or FUNAI, a Korubo man smiles up at the camera as a FUNAI member checks his heart rate during an expedition to the Javari Valley, in Brazil.

requested FUNAI's intervention in the case because they believed the isolated Korubos wanted revenge,

mistakenly believing their relatives had been killed by the Matis.

The main concern of FUNAI analysts was that the isolated group would not believe that the Korubos in the expedition were in fact their relatives, which made them label the mission as "high risk."

"It was actually quite moving. We soon found one of the two Korubos we saw first was a brother of one of the members of the expedition," said FUNAI coordinator Bruno Pereira. "There was a lot of emotion and tears." The trip lasted 32 days in the Javari Valley, an area of more than 8 million hectares (nearly 31,000 square miles), or bigger

than Hungary.

Brazilian law states that contact with isolated tribes can be used only as a last resort to preserve the lives of indigenous peoples and the expedition was FUNAI's biggest since 1996. It is also the agency's first major operation during the administration of far-right President Jair Bolsonaro.

Brazil's new leader has often criticized bodies that handle indigenous issues. He has also promised to stop demarcation of indigenous lands and allow miners and farmers to operate in their lands.

FUNAI's chairman Franklinberg de Freitas, appointed by Bolsonaro, called the expedition "a landmark." □



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## World Travel & Tourism Council Awards Bucuti & Tara Beach Resort For Achieving Climate Carbon Neutrality/Net Zero

*Former U.S. President Barack Obama keynotes, Bucuti & Tara Beach Resort's CEO presents*

WTTC represents the global private sector of Travel & Tourism. Its Global Summit is the most important event in the sector worldwide each year. The annual gathering includes heads-of-state, CEOs across industries and hospitality and tourism professionals. This year's keynote speaker was former U.S. President Barack Obama.

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Bucuti & Tara is the winner of the first-ever Climate Action Award. Resort owner and CEO Ewald Biemans addressed the Summit's prestigious crowd of influential global government leaders and executives. While a key focus on this award was Bucuti's years of sustainability initiatives and August 2018 achievement of carbon neutrality/net zero, Biemans vowed in his acceptance speech that Bucuti's "environmental journey just started, and we will continue working towards a better world."

Biemans presented "The Path to Carbon Neutrality/Net Zero" at the Tourism for Tomorrow day on April 2 as part of the WTTC Global Summit. The materials shared the vision, initiatives and outcomes of achieving net zero. With easy to replicate, proven actions, Bucuti is focused on showing others and encouraging them to do the same.

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The Winner of each category was determined by the WTTC Tourism for Tomorrow Awards 2019 Winners' Selection Committee, chaired by Fiona Jeffery OBE, Founder & Chairman, Just a Drop, and composed of Wolfgang M. Neumann, Non-Executive Director and Strategic Advisory, Global Hospitality, Travel & Tourism Sector; John Spengler, Akira Yamaguchi Professor of Environmental Health and Human Habitation, Harvard T.H. Chan School of Public Health; and Louise Twining-Ward, Senior Private Sector Specialist, Global Tourism Team, World Bank.

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# SPORTS



In-Kyung Kim, of South Korea, waves after her putt on the second hole during the second round of the LPGA Tour ANA Inspiration golf tournament at Mission Hills Country Club Friday, April 5, 2019, in Rancho Mirage, Calif.  
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## In-Kyung Kim back on top at ANA, 7 years after 1-foot miss

By JOHN NICHOLSON  
AP Sports Writer  
RANCHO MIRAGE, Calif.  
(AP) — Seven years after missing a 1-foot putt on the final hole of regulation and losing a playoff, In-Kyung Kim was back on top at the ANA Inspiration.  
Kim shot a 7-under 65 in mostly calm morning conditions Friday at Mission Hills to take a three-stroke lead halfway through the second round of the first major golf championship of the year. The 30-year-old South Korean had an 8-under 136 total.  
"Every stage, every passage of life has meaning to it and serves some purpose to it," Kim said. "I'm just here doing my best."  
In 2012, Kim missed the short par putt to fall into a playoff and lost when Sun Young Yoo holed an 18-footer for birdie on the first extra hole.

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# BIG BUCKS



## Milwaukee clinches top seed in the East with win over Philadelphia

Milwaukee Bucks' Giannis Antetokounmpo, left, reacts after a call during the first half of an NBA basketball game against the Philadelphia 76ers, Thursday, April 4, 2019, in Philadelphia.

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## In-Kyung Kim

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Kim struggled with the loss before finally ending a long victory drought late in the 2016 season in China. Her confidence renewed, she won three times the following year, capped by a major victory in the Women's British Open at Kingsbarns. "Sometimes winning is great, but for me as an athlete, you want to see some progress in your game," Kim said. "That's what I'm focusing on at the moment. That gives me joy. Anything else really is just a bonus, an extra."

On Friday on the tree-lined Mission Hills layout toughened by thick, dewy rough, tighter fairways and some longer holes, Kim birdied all four of the par-5 holes and played a nine-hole stretch in the middle of the round in 6 under. After three-putting the par-4 seventh for her first bogey in 25 holes, she saved par on the par-3 eighth with an 8-footer and closed the round with an 8-foot birdie putt on the par-4 ninth.

"I had makeable putts that went in," Kim said. "Yesterday, I also had a lot of op-

portunities, but in the afternoon when the wind blows on the back nine you can't really be too aggressive to the flag."

She played alongside Hall of Famer Juli Inkster in the first two rounds.

"It's my privilege to play with Juli," Kim said. "Always you learn something. I love her competitiveness and I really look up to her. I think being around her made me feel comfortable as well."

Katherine Kirk was second, bogeying the final two holes in a 68.

"Really great front nine and then back nine got a little bit tougher," Kirk said. "Obviously, finishing bogey-bogey is a bit disappointing, but I'm happy with the score. Lots of positives, so looking forward to the weekend."

The 37-year-old Australian won the last of her three tour titles in 2017.

"I think my best golf is still ahead of me, which is nice to say at 37," Kirk said. "All the experience, too, that I have had, I can use to that my advantage or at least try to use it to my advantage."



**Ally McDonald watches her tee shot on the 12th hole during the second round of the LPGA Tour ANA Inspiration golf tournament at Mission Hills Country Club Friday, April 5, 2019, in Rancho Mirage, Calif.**

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First-round leader Ally McDonald followed her opening 68 in the wind Thursday afternoon with a 72 to remain at 4 under.

"Today was really just one of those grinding days," McDonald said.

Top-ranked Sung Hyun Park had a bogey-free 70 to join Charley Hull (69) and Jing Yan (71) at 3 under.

"I still feel like I left a lot of

shots out there," said Park, the Singapore winner early last month. "Putts weren't dropping as well as I want them to."

Lexi Thompson, Jin Young Ko and Hyo Joo Kim, a stroke back after the first round, were in the afternoon session along with Jessica Korda, Lydia Ko and Angel Yin. Thompson won the 2014 title.

The 58-year-old Inkster matched Kim with a closing birdie, hitting a wedge to a foot on No. 9. She shot 77-75 to miss the cut.

Michelle Wie also failed to advance to the weekend, shooting 74-75. She made her first tour start since withdrawing during the first round of her Singapore title defense because of pain in her right hand. □

## Si Woo Kim leads by 4 after 2nd round at Valero Texas Open

**SAN ANTONIO (AP)** — Rickie Fowler and Jordan Spieth are successfully fine-tuning their preparations for the Masters.

However, they haven't been able to match Si Woo Kim so far at the Valero Texas Open.

First-round leader Kim used a late-round hole-in-one Friday to build a four-shot lead at the halfway point of the PGA Tour's last stop before the Masters.

Kim, the 2017 Players Championship winner, led by one heading into the second round before shooting a 6-under 66.

Kim aced TPC San Antonio's 16th hole and is 12 under through 36 holes. He leads six players at 8 under, including Fowler and Spieth.

"The first days here," Kim said, "I've been feeling good. I don't want to

change anything."

Fowler led on the back nine until consecutive bogeys late in the round.

"Yeah, at 15 and 16, kind of a little unforced errors," Fowler said.

"That happens. I hit some good shots out there and made a few putts. I'm happy with it. Obviously in a good spot going into the weekend."

Joining Fowler and Spieth — both shot 68 — are Harold Varner (66), Adam Schenk (66), Kyoung-Hoon Lee (67) and Monday-qualifier Corey Connors (67). Lee got it to 9 under before a bogey at his final hole of the day.

Kim's ace at the 167-yard 16th bounced up toward the flagstick, landed next to the lip of the cup and dropped in. He's gone 26 holes without a bogey and has nine birdies along with

the ace.

"I was trying to hit to the left edge of the bunker, with the wind," Kim said. "It was a 9-iron. I saw the bounce, but I never saw it go in."

Byeong Hun An (68), Matt Jones (68), Rory Sabbatini (68), Scott Stallings (69), Brian Stuard (70), Josh Teater (68) and Jim Knous (67) are 7 under.

Graeme McDowell, who won for the first time since 2015 last week at the PGA Tour's event in the Dominican Republic, has shot consecutive 69s and is joined at 6 under by Scott Brown, Hank Lebioda, Ryan Moore and Jhonattan Vegas. Brown had a 67, Lebioda and Moore 70s and Vegas a 71.

Fowler, who drove the green at the 327-yard fifth hole and eagled, held a lead early on the back nine. After the eagle, he

made birdie putts of 43 feet, 10 feet and 25 feet.

But he three-putted from 23 feet at the 15th and barely got out of a greenside bunker on the 16th, leaving a chip and putt for another bogey.

"At 16, I actually hit a great tee shot," Fowler said. "I was just expecting the wind to hold it a bit better, and obviously it didn't."

He got a stroke back with a birdie at the 17th, but his attempt to reach the par-5 18th in two landed him in a stream in front of the green. He chipped up and finished with a par.

Spieth had no late-round hiccups. Instead, he holed

out from 113 yards for an eagle on his 17th hole. Earlier in the day, he chipped in from off his second green.

"I just slid under the ball really nicely on that chip shot, landed right on my spot, just trickled in," Spieth said.

"Certainly a bonus on the hole out. In the air, I thought it was going to be pretty good."

Kim surged to a two-shot lead when he chipped to a foot away on the par-5 14th hole and tapped in for birdie. He got up-and-down from a bunker at the 15th, putting from almost 10 feet to save par. He wouldn't need the putter on the 16th. □

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## Bucks beat Sixers, clinch No. 1 seed in Eastern Conference

By The Associated Press

**PHILADELPHIA (AP)** — Giannis Antetokounmpo outdueled fellow MVP candidate Joel Embiid, finishing with 45 points and 13 rebounds and leading Milwaukee to a 128-122 victory over the Philadelphia 76ers on Thursday night as the Bucks clinched the No. 1 seed in the Eastern Conference and the top overall seed for the NBA playoffs. Khris Middleton added 22 points and George Hill had 20 for the Bucks, who locked up home-court advantage with three regular-season games remaining. Embiid returned from a three-game absence and had 34 points, 13 rebounds, 13 assists and three blocks. JJ Redick scored 29 points and Mike Scott, starting for injured Jimmy Butler, had 22 points for the 76ers, who are two games in front of Boston in the race for the No. 3 seed in the East with three games left. Philadelphia played without Butler, who missed for the second time in three games due to back tightness.

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**WARRIORS 108, LAKERS 90**  
**LOS ANGELES (AP)** — DeMarcus Cousins had 21 points and 10 rebounds, and Golden State rolled Los Angeles in pursuit of the No. 1 seed in the West. With four regular-season games remaining, the Warriors own the best record in the West (54-24) and have a two-game lead over idle second-place Denver. The defending NBA champions also hold the tiebreaker over the Nuggets in the



Milwaukee Bucks' Giannis Antetokounmpo, left, tries to drive past Philadelphia 76ers' Joel Embiid during the first half of an NBA basketball game, Thursday, April 4, 2019, in Philadelphia.

Associated Press

race for the top seed. Kevin Durant added 15 points, eight assists and six rebounds. Stephen Curry finished a quiet night with seven points on 3-of-14 shooting and 10 rebounds. Johnathan Williams led the Lakers with 17 points and a career-high 13 rebounds off the bench. JaVale McGee had 13 boards to help the Lakers rebound Golden State 62-51.

**KINGS 117, CAVALLIERS 104**

**SACRAMENTO, Calif. (AP)** — De'Aaron Fox had 16 points and 10 assists, Buddy Hield scored 23 points and

Sacramento Kings beat Cleveland. Marvin Bagley III scored seven of his 15 points in the fourth quarter, and Bogdan Bogdanovic added 15 points and eight rebounds for Sacramento. Collin Sexton scored 19 points and joined LeBron James and Ron Harper as the only Cavaliers rookies to score 1,300 points. Sexton is the 10th rookie in the NBA to reach the milestone. Ante Zizic had 14 points and 10 rebounds, and Larry Nance Jr. added 11 points and 16 boards for Cleveland. The Cavs (19-60) have lost seven straight. □

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# Capitals beat Canadiens to take Metropolitan Division

By The Associated Press

**WASHINGTON (AP)** — Nic Dowd scored the tiebreaking goal early in the second period, Braden Holtby stopped 33 shots and the Washington Capitals beat the Montreal Canadiens 2-1 Thursday night to clinch the Metropolitan Division title.

Lars Eller also scored as Washington wrapped up a fourth consecutive division crown with one game remaining.

After clinching their fifth consecutive playoff spot and 11th in 12 seasons last week, the defending Stanley Cup champions enter the postseason having won five of six. They've allowed only one goal in three of those victories.

Shea Weber scored for Montreal, which saw its playoff hopes dwindle with a game to go. Despite beating other division leaders in their last two games, the Canadiens entered Thursday even behind Columbus for the second and final wild card due to the regulation/overtime wins tiebreaker.

Carey Price made 29 stops in the loss.

**ISLANDERS 2, PANTHERS 1, SO**

**SUNRISE, Fla. (AP)** — Brock Nelson scored in the second period and then got the winner in the fourth round of the shootout to lead New York to its third win in four games.

Thomas Greiss finished with 29 saves through overtime and thwarted all four Florida attempts in the tiebreaker.

New York remained two points ahead of Pittsburgh for second place in the Metropolitan Division and home-ice advantage in the first round of the playoffs. The Islanders need to earn just one point in the season finale at Washington on Saturday to clinch second.

Jonathan Huberdeau scored the tying goal for the Panthers with 7:15 left in the third period. Montembeault had 35 saves in his 10th NHL start.

**PENGUINS 4, RED WINGS 1 PITTSBURGH (AP)** — Phil Kes-



Washington Capitals goaltender Braden Holtby (70) eyes the puck during a game against the Montreal Canadiens during the first period of their NHL hockey game in Washington, Thursday, April 4, 2019.

sell scored twice, Sidney Crosby added a goal and two assists and Matt Murray stopped 33 shots as Pittsburgh clinched a postseason berth for the 13th straight year — the longest active streak in the NHL.

Jake Guentzel added his 39th for the Penguins, who welcomed center Evgeni Malkin and defenseman Kris Letang back into the lineup by racing past the Red Wings to extend a playoff run that began in 2007. Pittsburgh has won three Stanley Cups and appeared in another Cup final during that span.

Matt Puempel scored his first NHL goal in more than two years for the Red Wings. Jimmy Howard finished with 43 saves, but couldn't quite duplicate his spectacular performance in a victory over the Penguins on Tuesday as Detroit's six-game winning streak came to a halt.

**AVALANCHE 3, JETS 2, OT DENVER (AP)** — Erik Johnson scored 1:49 into overtime, Philipp Grubauer made 34 saves and Colorado rallied from two goals down to clinch a playoff berth.

Johnson took a feed from Nathan MacKinnon and knocked it past Connor Hellebuyck for the winner.

Colorado players actually celebrated on the bench as soon as the clock ran out in regulation since the team needed only a point to earn a spot. The Avalanche went 8-0-2 down the stretch to secure a wild-card position for a second straight season. They trail Dallas by a point for the first wild-card spot. The Stars still have two games remaining.

Winnipeg's loss was a big blow in its quest to capture the Central Division crown. The Jets fell a point behind Nashville and dropped into a tie with St. Louis with one game remaining. It was the fifth loss in six games for Winnipeg.

Carl Soderberg tied it up at 2 with 9:25 remaining. Tyson Barrie also scored for Colorado.

Mark Scheifele and Nikolaj Ehlers scored first-period goals for the Jets, while Hellebuyck made 35 saves.

**SHARKS 3, OILERS 2 EDMONTON, Alberta (AP)** — Brent Burns had a goal and an assist to help San Jose win for just the second time in 11 games.

Marcus Sorensen and Gustav Nyquist also scored and Aaron Dell finished with 26 saves for the Sharks, who improved to 2-8-1 in the last

11. San Jose has clinched second place in the Pacific Division and will face Vegas in the first round of the playoffs.

Leon Draisaitl had two goals for the Oilers, who have lost five straight and will miss the playoffs for the 12th time in the last 13 seasons. Anthony Stolarz had 24 saves.

Nyquist tipped Burns' point shot with 1:12 left in the second to give San Jose the 3-2 lead.

**PREDATORS 3, CANUCKS 2 NASHVILLE, Tenn. (AP)** — Ryan Johansen scored with 19.5 seconds remaining, and Nashville preserved its hopes for a second straight Central Division title.

Winnipeg needed Nashville to lose with the Jets winning in Colorado to clinch the division Thursday night, and the Predators trailed 2-1 before scoring twice in the final 4:20.

Now, the division race will be decided Saturday on the final night of the season.

Nick Bonino tied it up with 4:20 left when Vancouver goalie Jacob Markstrom got caught to the left of his net with Austin Watson sliding across in front of him. The Canucks lost their challenge for goaltender inter-

ference.

Johansen's pass across the slot to Viktor Arvidsson instead went off the outstretched stick of Canucks defenseman Troy Stecher and past Markstrom's left pad and in. The Canucks also challenged, this time for offside and lost.

Colton Sissons also scored for Nashville, which now has won four of five.

Markus Granlund scored and Tanner Pearson each had power-play goals for Vancouver, which snapped a three-game winning streak.

**LIGHTNING 3, MAPLE LEAFS 1**

**TORONTO (AP)** — Steven Stamkos had a goal and an assist, Andrei Vasilevskiy stopped 29 shots, and Tampa Bay became the second team in NHL history to win more than 60 games in a season.

Nikita Kucherov and Alex Killorn also scored for the Lightning.

Mitch Marner scored for Toronto, and Frederik Andersen finished with 26 saves.

Tied 1-1 in the third period, Stamkos threw a pass back into the slot to Killorn, who beat a down-and-out Andersen with a fluttering shot into the top of the net for his 18th goal of the season with 5:48 left.

The Maple Leafs pressed for the tie with Andersen on the bench, but Vasilevskiy stopped Patrick Marleau from in tight with his left pad on Toronto's best chance before Kucherov sealed it with an empty-netter with 55 seconds left for his 40th of the season.

**HURRICANES 3, DEVILS 1 RALEIGH, N.C. (AP)** — Justin Faulk scored the go-ahead goal in the second period, and Carolina clinched its first playoff berth in a decade.

Warren Foegele and Nino Niederreiter also scored to help the Hurricanes snap the NHL's longest active playoff drought. The victory — coupled with Montreal's loss at Washington — wrapped up Carolina's first postseason berth since 2009 and just its second since winning the Stanley Cup in 2006. □



# Duke's Williamson wins AP men's college player of the year

By AARON BEARD  
AP Basketball Writer

**MINNEAPOLIS (AP)** — Just about everything Zion Williamson did at Duke created a highlight or headline in a spectacle of a season. The soaring dunks. The open-court moves more nimble than his 6-foot-7, 285-pound frame should allow.

Even the freak occurrence of one of his feet tearing through its shoe in a fall to the court.

Handling all that attention became maybe the biggest lesson for the freshman, who quickly became the face of college basketball and the game's biggest star in years — then fittingly finished as The Associated Press men's player of the year.

"I was comfortable with it because you don't really have a choice," Williamson said in an interview with the AP earlier this week. "I think if you try to force it out, then it's going to bother you. ... My mom just told me to look at it as a lot of kids would wish to be in my position, so if it does bother me, I just think about it like that."

Williamson claimed 59 of 64 votes from AP Top 25 voters before the NCAA Tournament in results released Friday. Freshman teammate



Duke freshman Zion Williamson sits behind the Oscar Robertson Trophy with National Collegiate Basketball Hall of Fame member Oscar Robertson at a news conference where Williamson was awarded the U.S. Basketball Writers Association College Player of the Year award at the Final Four NCAA college basketball tournament, Friday, April 5, 2019, in Minneapolis.

Associated Press

RJ Barrett earned two votes as a fellow AP first-team All-American, while Virginia's De'Andre Hunter, Michigan State's Cassius Winston and Murray State's Ja Morant each earned one vote.

Williamson had hoped to be in Minneapolis preparing for Saturday's national semifinals like Hunter and Winston. But the Blue Devils fell to Winston's Spartans in the Elite Eight as the top overall seed.

"I was just telling (team-

mates) don't let nobody tell you this season was a disappointment, because people have got to understand it's March Madness," he said, adding: "I mean, winning the championship is not a cakewalk."

In a likely one-year college stop for a possible top overall NBA draft pick, the 18-year-old Williamson averaged 22.6 points and 8.9 rebounds while ranking second nationally by shooting 68%. He also

ranked among the Atlantic Coast Conference leaders in steals (2.12) and blocks (1.79). Williamson's play was marked by breathtaking athleticism to go by, through and over anyone to get the ball (look at his personal-favorite 360-degree dunk against Clemson or his rapid-closeout swat of Hunter's shot at Virginia for proof).

There was the charisma, too. He projected a self-assured ease amid the crush

of postgame interviews, even routinely having walk-on Mike Buckmire join him as a wingman as though bringing his teammate into his unique orbit.

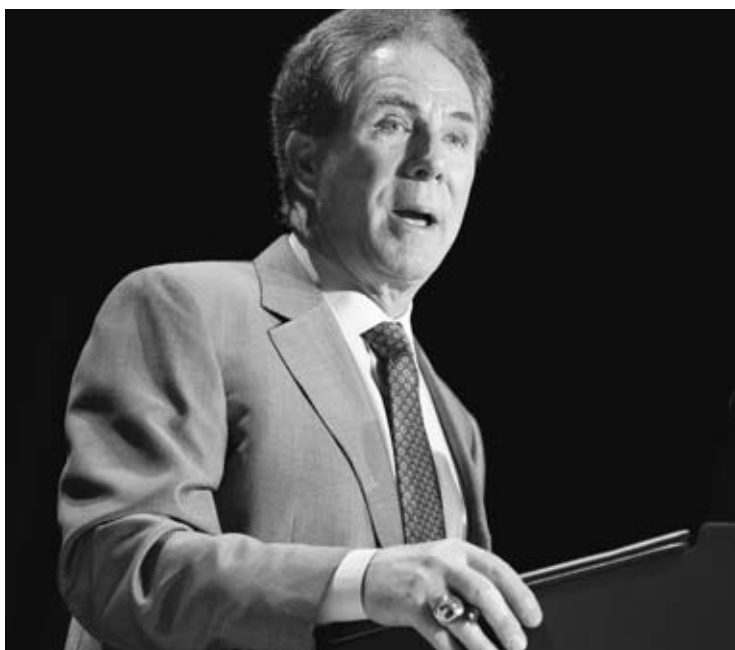
"It's been remarkable what he's done," said North Carolina coach Roy Williams, who recruited Williamson. "There hasn't been many guys like that to come down the road. So the attention he's gotten, I think he'd deserved. ... He's driven a different ship."

That February shoe blow-out illustrated just how different.

Williamson missed nearly six full games after injuring his knee in the fall, which had his left foot sticking through the side of his Paul George signature shoe from Nike. The bizarre image wounded Nike's day-after stock price and had some arguing that he shouldn't return to protect his pro stock.

"Cars will be driving by (on campus) and I mean, they'll just stop," Williamson said with a chuckle. "In the middle of the road. And people will jump out of the car and get pictures. I'm looking at my watch, I have two minutes to get to class and my class is a five-minute walk. ... I'll look at them and they'll be so high, I'm like, 'Yeah, I got you, I'll take the picture.'" □

# Boogity! Boogity! Boogity! Waltrip set to retire



In this Feb. 2, 2015, file photo, former NASCAR race car driver Darrell Waltrip delivers the keynote address during the National Prayer Breakfast in Washington.

Associated Press

**CHARLOTTE, N.C. (AP)** — Darrell Waltrip is set to take the checkered flag on his broadcasting career.

The Fox Sports analyst will retire at the end of the network's portion of the NASCAR schedule following the June 23 race at Sonoma Raceway in California.

It will likely be the last time the Kentucky native will utter his "Boogity! Boogity! Boogity! Let's go racing, boys!" call to open a race. Waltrip is one of NASCAR's storied characters, one of the first to build a brand around his supersized personality, and he parlayed it into a lifetime as one of the sport's strongest ambassadors.

He began his Fox Sports career with the 2001 Daytona 500, and the Hall of Fame driver had hinted on social media this would be the final season of his career.

Now 72, Waltrip said it was finally time to go.

"My family and I have been talking this over the past several months, and I've de-

cided to call 2019 my last year in the FOX Sports booth," Waltrip said Thursday.

"I have been blessed to work with the best team in the sport for the past 19 years, but I'm 72 and have been racing in some form for more than 50 years. I'm still healthy, happy and now a granddad, so it's time to spend more time at home with my family, although I will greatly miss my FOX family."

"For nearly five decades, few people have been as synonymous with NASCAR as Darrell Waltrip," NASCAR President Steve Phelps said.

"A Hall of Famer on the track and in the booth, Waltrip brought quick wit, tireless passion and a wealth of stock car racing knowledge to millions of NASCAR fans on FOX for 19 seasons.

We are grateful for Waltrip's many contributions to the sport over the past 47 years, both as a champion driver and broadcaster." □



# Bauer pulled with no-hitter thru 7, Indians beat Blue Jays

**CLEVELAND (AP)** — Trevor Bauer was pulled by manager Terry Francona after seven hitless innings and 117 pitches, and watched from the dugout as Toronto's Freddy Galvis broke up Cleveland's bid for a combined no-hitter with a lead-off single in the ninth inning of the Indians' 4-1 win Thursday night.

Bauer was attempting to throw Cleveland's first no-hitter in 38 years — on the 25th anniversary of Progressive Field's opening — but was taken out as his pitch count increased.

"It was the right decision," Bauer said.

Jon Edwards got two outs in the eighth before closer Brad Hand worked out of a bases-loaded jam. Hand, however, gave up a hard single to center by Galvis. Alen Hansen followed with Toronto's second hit and the Blue Jays scored before Hand struck out two for his third save.

Bauer (1-0) walked six and struck out eight. The Indians haven't pitched a no-hitter since Len Barker's perfect game against Toronto in 1981.

Aaron Sanchez (1-1) took the loss. This was the third time this season the Blue Jays were held hitless into the seventh inning.

## **RANGERS 11, ANGELS 4**

**ANAHEIM, Calif. (AP)** — Joey Gallo hit a three-run homer and Ronald Guzman added a two-run shot



Cleveland Indians starting pitcher Trevor Bauer delivers in the first inning of a baseball game against the Toronto Blue Jays, Thursday, April 4, 2019, in Cleveland.

Associated Press

in the first inning, and Texas extended its strong start.

Shin-Soo Choo got credit for a three-run double in the fifth when Brian Goodwin badly misplayed his short hit to left with the bases loaded, and the Rangers ruined the Angels' home opener while cruising to their fifth win in seven games.

Mike Trout homered and threw out a runner at home for the Angels, who have lost five straight to drop to an AL-worst 1-6. New manager Brad Ausmus' Halos are off to the franchise's worst start since the 1961 expansion club began 1-8.

Kole Calhoun hit the first leadoff homer in a home opener in franchise history for the Angels, but they were already trailing 5-0 before Calhoun got to the plate.

Matt Harvey (0-1) had a dismal debut at Angel Stadium, giving up 10 hits and eight runs while getting chased before he recorded an out in the fifth.

Jeffrey Springs (1-0) pitched 2 1/3 innings of one-run relief.

## **ATHLETICS 7, RED SOX 3**

**OAKLAND, Calif. (AP)** — Center fielder Ramon Laureano threw out another Red Sox runner in a key

spot, and the Oakland Athletics kept Boston stumbling.

Laureano tossed out three runners as the A's took three of four in the series. Stephen Piscotty went 4 for 4 with a home run, double and five RBIs to help Oakland win for the fifth time in six games.

The Red Sox fell to 2-6, the worst start for a defending World Series champion since the stripped-down Marlins struggled in 1998. J.D. Martinez homered for Boston.

Brett Anderson (2-0) gave up three runs in 5 1/3 innings. Piscotty hit a three-

run homer off Eduardo Rodriguez (0-2).

## **YANKEES 8, ORIOLES 4**

**BALTIMORE (AP)** — Gleyber Torres homered twice, had a career-high four hits and drove in four runs, and the New York Yankees ruined Baltimore's home opener.

Gary Sanchez and Luke Voit also homered for the Yankees, who beat Baltimore in their own season opener last week.

Torres' first home run of the season got New York within 3-1 in the third inning, and his three-run drive in the sixth off reliever Mike Wright (0-1) put the Yankees up 5-4. Torres also doubled.

James Paxton (1-1) struck out nine and allowed four runs in 5 1/3 innings to win his first game with New York being traded from Seattle in November.

## **TIGERS 5, ROYALS 4**

**DETROIT (AP)** — Spencer Turnbull struck out 10 in six innings, and the Detroit Tigers drew four straight walks to start the bottom of the seventh, taking the lead for good against Kansas City. Josh Harrison stole two bases and scored three times for the Tigers in their home opener. It was tied at 3 in the seventh when Kansas City reliever Kyle Zimmer (0-1) walked Harrison, Nicholas Castellanos and Miguel Cabrera in succession. Kevin McCarthy then came on and walked Niko Goodrum on four pitches, forcing in a run.



Atlanta Braves starting pitcher Max Fried (54) works against the Chicago Cubs in the first inning of baseball game Thursday, April 4, 2019, in Atlanta.

Associated Press

# Fried shines as Braves complete 3-game sweep of Cubs, 9-4

**ATLANTA (AP)** — Max Fried took a perfect game into the sixth inning, Nick Markakis drive in five runs with five hits that included three doubles and the Atlanta Braves beat Yu Darvish and the Cubs for a three-game sweep. Chicago has lost five straight and is 1-5 for the first time since 2012, when it lost 101 games.

Fried (1-0), making only his 10th career start and his first this season after two scoreless relief appearances, recorded 17 straight outs to

open the game. Mark Zagnis singled up the middle with two outs in the sixth.

## **NATIONALS 4, METS 0**

**NEW YORK (AP)** — Stephen Strasburg outpitched Noah Syndergaard, rookie Victor Robles homered for Washington's only hit until the ninth inning and the Nationals blanked the drowsy Mets to spoil New York's home opener. Wilmer Difo drove in two runs, and Washington's struggling bullpen shined after Strasburg (1-0) struck out nine

in 6 2/3 innings. Matched against Syndergaard (0-1) for the second time in six days, Strasburg took a one-hitter into the seventh.

## **PIRATES 2, REDS 0**

**PITTSBURGH (AP)** — Jordan Lyles pitched five effective innings in his Pittsburgh debut and the Pirates extended Cincinnati's scoreless streak.

A day after the Reds got three hits in a 1-0 loss to Milwaukee, they managed six hits against four Pittsburgh pitchers.



## Pugh scores 2 and U.S. women beat Australia 5-3 in exhibition

By MICHAEL KELLY

Associated Press

COMMERCE CITY, Colo.

(AP) — Mallory Pugh heard the cheers from the hometown fans when she came onto the field early in the second half.

The cheers were deafening when she scored 37 seconds later.

"That's never happened before," she said. "I knew going in I wanted to make a difference and play the role I can play. It was definitely a special night."

Pugh played her role perfectly, scoring twice in her return to Colorado to cap a three-goal rally, and the U.S. women's national team held on to beat Australia 5-3 in an exhibition on Thursday.

Tobin Heath and Megan Rapinoe scored early in the second half and Alex Morgan added a goal for the Americans.

The U.S. is 3-1-2 in the first six games of the Countdown to the Cup. The Americans have four games left leading up to the Women's World Cup in France from June 7 to July 7.

The U.S. team will start defense of its World Cup title against Thailand on June 11 in Reims, France.

The match at Dick's Sporting Goods Park was a homecoming for Pugh and Lindsey Horan. Horan is from nearby Golden, and Pugh is from Highlands Ranch. They heard the love from the crowd.

Lisa De Vanna, Sam Kerr



U.S. forward Mallory Pugh, left, scores a goal as Australia defender Gema Simon pursues during the second half of an international friendly soccer match Thursday, April 4, 2019, in Commerce City, Colo.

and Caitlin Foord had goals for Australia.

Pugh received a loud ovation when she checked into the game in the second half, and she wasted no time scoring. Emily Sonnett fed a pass as Pugh was charging in from the right side and she beat Australian goalkeeper Lydia Williams in the 67th minute to make it 4-2.

"I was wide open, so I was screaming for it," Pugh said. "Thankfully Sonnett passed it. We were talking after and she said, 'I thought you were going to pass it back

to me.' I was like, 'No.'" Horan, who said she could hear her youth club cheering for her, was happy for her teammate.

"She came into the game, gets her first touch and scores a goal," Horan said. Pugh added another goal in extra time to seal it and hear the cheers from the crowd again.

"Mallory, coming in, that's her role to come in and be a difference-maker," U.S. coach Jill Ellis said. "Those were world-class goals tonight. Mal is a really special player. She did well

tonight." Just before Pugh's first goal, Rapinoe gave the U.S. the lead when she got the ball at the top of the box, worked around to the middle and sent a low shot to the left corner in the 60th minute.

Kerr's header in the 80th minute cut the lead to one, but Pugh scored in injury time to close it out. Morgan's goal was the 100th of her career and came in her 159th match. She tied Tiffeny Milbrett for sixth all-time among U.S. players in career goals.

"To get into triple digits isn't

an accomplishment I take lightly," Morgan said.

Morgan got the milestone marker when she fought off an Australian defender to gain control of a pass from Crystal Dunn. She then maneuvered around defender Alanna Kennedy and beat Williams with a well-placed shot to the right in the 14th minute. The Australians got even when De Vanna got a pass from Foord and beat U.S. goalkeeper Alyssa Naeher with a shot to the far side in the 29th minute.

The Americans turned up the pressure and only a couple of good saves by Williams kept the score tied. She made a save on Rapinoe's shot from close in and Ellie Carpenter cleared it off the line before it crossed in the 31st minute. Soon after, she got a hand on Horan's high shot and knocked it over the crossbar.

Australia took the lead early in the second half when Foord dribbled through the defense and beat Naeher with a low shot in the 47th minute. The Americans tied it in the 53rd minute, when Sonnett lofted a cross to Heath, and she headed it just past Williams to make it 2-2.

"There were patches we did OK, but against an opponent like them you get punished for mistakes," Australia coach Ante Milicic said. "Maybe against a lesser team you might get away with mistakes but not them." □



Madison Keys, of the United States, hits a return to countrywoman Sloane Stephens at the Volvo Car Open tennis tournament Friday, April 5, 2019, in Charleston, S.C.

Associated Press

## Keys beats top-seeded Stephens to reach Volvo Car Open semis

CHARLESTON, S.C. (AP) — Madison Keys rallied late to down top-seeded Sloane Stephens for the first time in four career meetings to reach the Volvo Car Open semifinals on Friday.

Keys pulled away from her American countrywoman to win 7-6 (6), 4-6, 6-2. Keys, seeded eighth and ranked 18th in the world, will take on Monica Puig of Puerto Rico for a spot in Sunday's

finals. The unseeded Puig defeated her third consecutive seeded opponent, topping No. 11 Danielle Collins of the United States 6-3, 6-2.

Stephens had not lost a set in three previous matches against her good friend, including in the 2017 U.S. Open finals and last year's French Open semifinals before dropping the opening set tiebreaker. Keys dug

in once again down the stretch after Stephens won the second set.

No. 5 seed Caroline Wozniacki of Denmark, the 2011 Volvo champion, also made the final four after defeating 15th-seeded Maria Sakkari of Greece 6-2, 6-2. Wozniacki will face No. 16 seed Petra Martic of Croatia, who ousted ninth-seeded Belinda Bencic of Switzerland 6-3, 6-4. □



# Vaccine wars: Social media battle outbreak of bogus claims

By BARBARA ORTUTAY  
AP Technology Writer  
SAN FRANCISCO (AP) —

Like health officials facing outbreaks of disease, internet companies are trying to contain vaccine-related misinformation they have long helped spread. So far, their efforts at quarantine are falling short.

Searches of Facebook, Pinterest and Instagram turn up all sorts of bogus warnings about vaccines, including the soundly debunked notions that they cause autism or that mercury preservatives and other substances in them can poison and even kill people.

Some experts fear that the online spread of bad information about vaccines is planting or reinforcing fears in parents, and they suspect it is contributing to the comeback in recent years of certain dangerous childhood diseases, including measles, whooping cough and mumps.

"The online world has been one that has been very much taken over by misinformation spread by concerned parents," said Richard Carpiano, a professor of public policy and sociology at the University of California, Riverside, who studies vaccine trends. "Medical doctors don't command the sort of authority they did decades ago. There is a lack of confidence in institutions people had faith in." The effort to screen out



In this March 27, 2019, file photo, measles, mumps and rubella vaccines sit in a cooler at the Rockland County Health Department in Pomona, N.Y.

bogus vaccine information online is one more front in the battle by social media to deal with fake news of all sorts, including political propaganda. (Researchers have even found Russia-linked bots trying to sow discord by amplifying both sides of the vaccine debate.)

Pinterest, the digital scrapbooking and search site that has been a leading online repository of vaccine misinformation, took the seemingly drastic step in 2017 of blocking all searches for the term "vaccines." But it's been a leaky quarantine. Recently, a search for "measles vaccine" still brought up, among other

things, a post titled "Why We Said NO to the Measles Vaccine," along with a sinister-looking illustration of a hand holding an enormous needle titled "Vaccine-nation: poisoning the population one shot at a time."

Facebook, meanwhile, said in March that it would no longer recommend groups and pages that spread hoaxes about vaccines, and that it would reject ads that do this. This appears to have filtered out some of the most blatant sources of vaccine misinformation, such as the website Naturalnews.com.

But even after the changes, anti-vax groups were among the first results to

come up on a search of "vaccine safety." A search of "vaccine," meanwhile, turns up the verified profile of Dr. Christiane Northrup, a physician who is outspoken in her misgivings about — and at times opposition to — vaccines.

On Facebook's Instagram, hashtags such as "vaccineskill" and accounts against vaccinating children are easily found with a simple search for "vaccines."

The discredited ideas circulating online include the belief that the recommended number of shots for babies is too much for their bodies to handle, that vaccines infect people with the same

viruses they are trying to prevent, or that the natural immunity conferred by catching a disease is better than vaccines.

In truth, fear and suspicion of vaccines have been around as long as vaccines have existed. Smallpox inoculations caused a furor in colonial New England in the 1700s. And anti-vaccine agitation existed online long before Facebook and Twitter.

Still, experts in online misinformation say social networking and the way its algorithms disseminate the most "engaging" posts — whether true or not — have fueled the spread of anti-vaccination propaganda and pushed parents into the anti-vax camp.

Jeanine Guidry, a professor at Virginia Commonwealth University who studies social media and vaccines, said social media amplifies these conversations and creates echo chambers that can reinforce bad information. □

Carpiano said it is difficult to document the actual effect social media has had on vaccination rates, but "we do see decrease in coverage and rise in gaps of coverage," as well as clusters of vaccine-hesitant people.

Despite high-profile outbreaks, overall vaccination rates remain high in the U.S., according to the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention. □



This Aug. 9, 2017, file photo shows the Snapchat app on a mobile device in New York.

Associated Press

## Snap joins online game fray, unveils advertising products

SAN FRANCISCO (AP) — Snapchat is joining the online-games bandwagon with a new service that lets people play together on its mobile platform.

The company says it wants to make it easier for friends to play together.

Snap Inc. also unveiled at Los Angeles event Thursday new products to help companies advertise on its service, including Snapchat Ad Kit and Snapchat Audience Network.

The tools let businesses send ads both to Snapchat users and people who don't use the service, within other apps. The setup is similar to what Facebook does with its own ad service.

In addition, Snapchat launched original shows that can only be watched on its service, including "Can't Talk Now," which follows a group of high school kids with the story told through their phones.

Snap joins Google and Apple in launching a gaming platform in the hopes of attracting new users — or at least keeping existing ones coming back instead of leaving for the wildly popular Fortnite game.

Snap has been struggling with declining user numbers and stiff competition from Facebook's Instagram.

It had 186 million daily active users in the last quarter of 2018, compared with 187 million in the third quarter. □



# Stocks approach record after US jobs report hits sweet spot

By **STAN CHOE**

**Associated Press**

**NEW YORK (AP)** — Stocks climbed Friday after a better-than-expected report on U.S. jobs eased worries that the economy is slowing too sharply.

U.S. employers added 196,000 jobs last month, more than economists had forecast. More importantly, it gave encouragement to economists who said the prior month's jobs report, which was shockingly weak, may have been an aberration and that the economy can continue to grow, albeit at a slower pace.

The jobs report also hit a happy medium for markets, strategists said. It was neither low enough to heighten recession worries nor high enough to prod the Federal Reserve to raise interest rates.

"This is another green shoot of growth," Steve Chiavarone, portfolio manager and equity strategist at Federated Investors, who pointed to other encouraging data about the U.S. and China's economies from recent weeks. He expects economic growth to re-accelerate after hitting a bottom in the first part of 2009.

And with the Fed on record saying it may not raise rates at all this year, after having done so four times in 2018, "good news now is just good news," Chiavarone said. That's unlike prior market scares, when investors saw strong data as bad news because it could encourage a more aggressive Fed. The mentality flipped earlier this year after the Fed said it may not raise rates at all this year after raising them four times in 2018.

The S&P 500 has climbed every day this week, though most of the gains were only modest, and it now sits just 1.4% away from its most recent record high, which was set in September.

The index has been tacking on more gains since closing out its best quarter in nearly a decade, with a 13.1% rise in the first three

months of the year. If the index ends Friday higher, it would clinch a seven-day winning streak, its longest in

helped lead the way.

The Dow Jones Industrial Average rose 35 points, or 0.1%, to 26,419, and the

crude oil.

The strong jobs report helped expectations for oil demand, and benchmark

during the quarter. Companies are holding on to less of each \$1 of revenue as profit than a year ago, analysts say.

**BREXIT WOES:** Britain's FTSE 100 rose 0.6% after Prime Minister Theresa May requested a further Brexit extension from the European Union until June 30 to give the U.K. breathing room since it is now scheduled to leave the bloc in just one week.

European Council President Donald Tusk proposed a longer time frame, urging the 27 other EU nations to offer the U.K. a flexible extension of up to a year to make sure the nation doesn't crash out of the bloc in a chaotic and costly way.

The CAC 40 in France gained 0.2% while Germany's DAX was up 0.2%.

**BOND WATCH:** Treasury yields wavered following the jobs report.

The yield on the 10-year Treasury tends to rise and fall with expectations for the U.S. economy and inflation, and it had been largely falling since last autumn as worries about a possible recession grew. After hitting a bottom at 2.37% last week, though, it had begun to recover.

On Friday, the yield on the 10-year Treasury climbed as high as 2.54% in the minutes following the job report's release, up from 2.51% late Thursday. But the gains evaporated, and it subsequently dipped down to 2.50%.

The yield on the two-year Treasury, whose movements are more closely tied to the Fed's actions, also bounced up and down following the jobs report. It was at 2.33%, up from 2.32% late Thursday. □



In this Feb. 5, 2019, file photo trader John Panin works on the floor of the New York Stock Exchange. **Associated Press**

a year and a half.

Stocks around the world have also been climbing as the United States and China say they are making progress on talks to ease their trade war. President Donald Trump said Thursday that the U.S. and China were "rounding the turn" in the talks, which resumed Wednesday in Washington. No details were announced, but Trump said after meeting with Chinese Vice Premier Liu He that "something monumental" could be announced within weeks.

Challenges still lay ahead for the market, though, including expectations for the weakest batch of corporate earnings reports in years.

**KEEPING SCORE:** The S&P 500 rose 0.4%, as of 12:20 p.m. Eastern time. Ten of the 11 sectors that make up the index were higher. Energy and health care

Nasdaq composite gained 0.6%.

**JOBS REPORT:** The stronger-than-expected jobs report helped smooth concerns about the economy, after February's report initially said just 20,000 jobs were added during the month, which was sharply below the recent pace. The government on Friday revised that number to growth of 33,000.

Average hourly earnings rose 3.2% in March from a year earlier, which was weaker than economists' forecasts. Markets pay close attention to the numbers because while higher wages help workers afford to buy more things, they also crimp corporate profit margins.

**ENERGIZED RETURNS:** Apache, EOG Resources and Anadarko Petroleum all rose at least 3%, as energy-related stocks plowed higher with the price of

U.S. crude rose 48 cents to \$62.58 per barrel. It's close to hitting its highest settlement price since November. Brent crude, the international standard, rose 43 cents to \$69.83.

Energy stocks in the S&P 500 jumped 1.3%, by far the biggest gain among the 11 sectors that make up the index.

**UPCOMING EARNINGS:** Profitability is one of the market's top concerns as companies line up to begin reporting their first-quarter results next week.

Analysts expect companies in the S&P 500 to report a nearly 4% drop in earnings per share from a year earlier, which would be the first decline since the spring of 2016.

The expected drop in profits is due almost entirely to weaker profit margins. Analysts are forecasting that revenue grew nearly 5% for S&P 500 companies

## Applications for US unemployment aid fall to 49-year low

By **CHRISTOPHER RUGABER**

**Associated Press**

**WASHINGTON (AP)** — The number of people seeking U.S. unemployment benefits fell to its lowest level since late 1969, a sign that employers are holding onto their workers despite signs of a slowing economy.

The Labor Department says weekly

applications for jobless aid fell 10,000 to a seasonally adjusted 202,000. That is the lowest since the week of December 6, 1969.

Applications are a proxy for layoffs, so the drop to such a low level indicates that companies are cutting very few workers.

That's a reassuring sign as other data,

such as weak consumer and business spending, and sluggish growth overseas, points to slower U.S. growth this year.

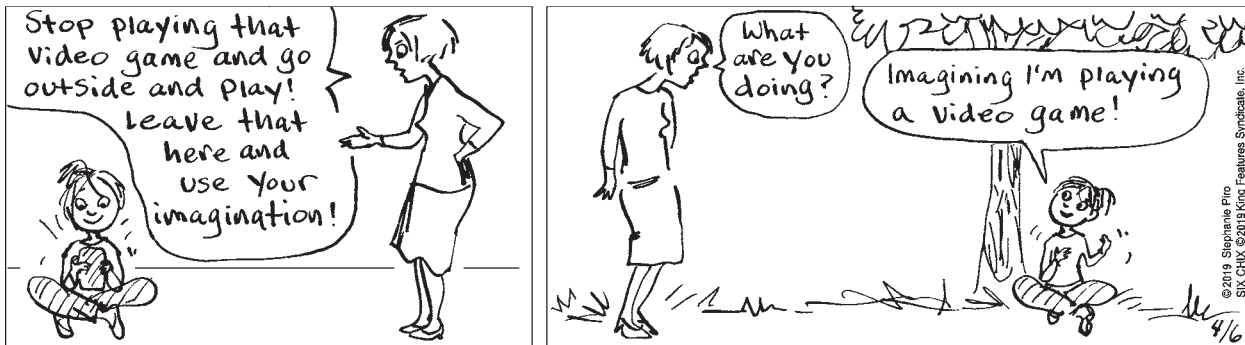
A report Wednesday from payroll processor ADP found that businesses added just 129,000 jobs in March, down from 197,000 the previous month. □



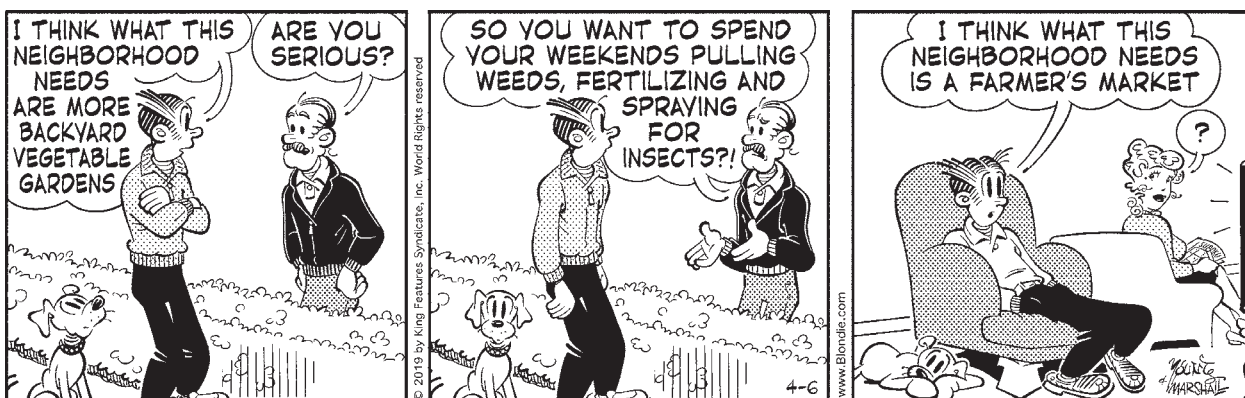
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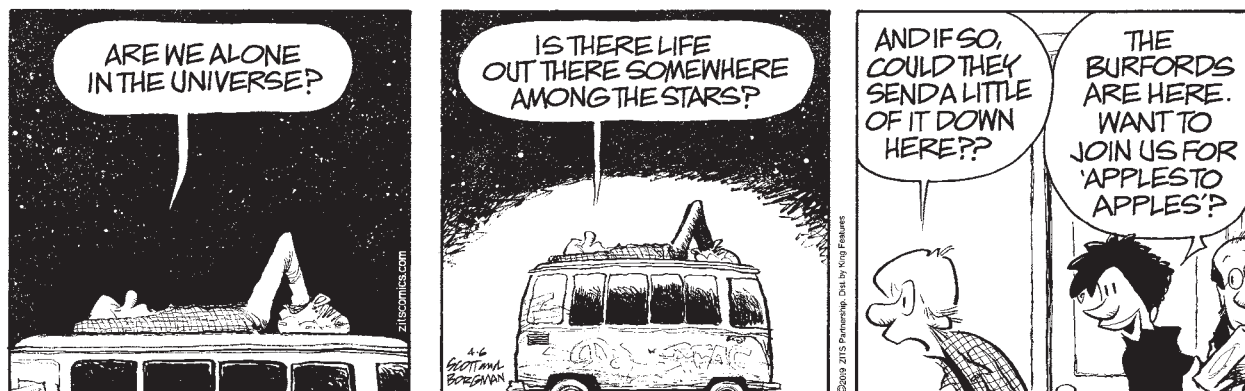
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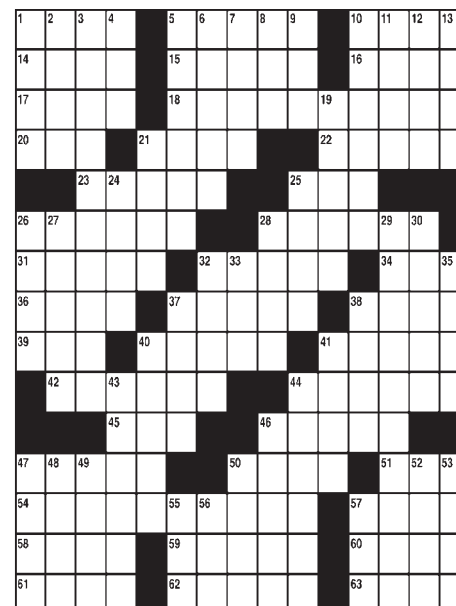
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Sudoku is a number-placing puzzle based on a 9x9 grid with several given numbers. The object is to place the numbers 1 to 9 in the empty squares so that each row, each column and each 3x3 box contains the same number only once. The difficulty level of the Conceptis Sudoku increases from Monday to Sunday.

Yesterday's puzzle answer	3	7	4	1	6	8	9	5	2
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ACROSS

- 1 Sulk
- 5 Book of maps
- 10 Flower stalk
- 14 Askew; twisted
- 15 Gown
- 16 Asian language
- 17 Patella's place
- 18 "The Three \_\_", novel by Dumas
- 20 19th letter
- 21 Nabors & Belushi
- 22 Film holders
- 23 Seize power by force
- 25 Nourished
- 26 Gangster Al
- 28 Seashores
- 31 Mac maker
- 32 Become swollen
- 34 Parcel delivery svc.
- 36 Loafer, for one
- 37 Sparkle
- 38 Tiny bits of gravel
- 39 "Killing Me Softly with \_\_ Song"



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- 40 Vicious
- 41 Isle of \_\_; Italian resort
- 42 Blackjack table host
- 44 Shooting star
- 45 Solemn promise
- 46 Hayes or Keller
- 47 " \_\_ a Hot Tin Roof"
- 50 Make well
- 51 Facial twitch
- 54 Relentless
- 57 Costa \_\_
- 58 \_\_ with; become attached to
- 59 Small weight
- 60 In a \_\_; instantly
- 61 Sharp tools
- 62 1 of the 12 Apostles
- 63 Cards in royal flushes

DOWN

- 1 Create
- 2 \_\_ up; confesses
- 3 Assume beforehand
- 4 Needle's hole
- 5 Think highly of
- 6 2016 winner
- 7 Not as much
- 8 Inquire
- 9 90 degrees from ENE
- 10 Lively horses
- 11 "My Country, 'Tis of \_\_"
- 12 British noble
- 13 Feel the loss of
- 19 "Trick or \_\_!"
- 21 Beaver Cleaver's mom
- 24 "O \_\_ Mio"
- 25 Root beer topper
- 26 Money
- 27 Plant pest
- 28 " \_\_ Miner's Daughter"; Spacek film
- 29 Paint thinner
- 30 VP Agnew
- 32 Make obscure
- 33 Gaffer Trevino
- 35 \_\_ crazy; tired of confinement
- 37 Got larger

Friday's Puzzle Solved

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OIL	FAITH	
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COUNSELOR	SOBER	
TOBE	RICE	TAINT
STAY	SETS	FADS

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- 38 Fence opening
- 40 Duplicate
- 41 Jailbird's room
- 43 Steers clear of
- 44 Scanty
- 46 Therefore
- 47 Gloria Estefan's birthplace
- 48 Healthy as \_\_
- 49 Tim Daly's sis
- 50 Suggestion
- 52 " \_\_ See Clearly Now"
- 53 Head toppers
- 55 Cut off
- 56 Like a bill received
- 57 File drawer, perhaps





Puppies Apple, left, and Curry tussle with a chew toy as they romp at ASPCA headquarters in New York, Thursday, April 4, 2019.

Associated Press

## A rescued puppy named Apple marks relocation milestone

By JAY REEVES  
Associated Press

A floppy-eared puppy named Apple has a new home in New York, courtesy of an animal protection group and an overcrowded shelter in Mississippi. Two weeks after being rescued from the streets of Starkville, Mississippi, Apple arrived in New York City on Thursday as the 100,000th homeless animal relocated by the American Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals. About 100 people cheered as a relocation van arrived in Manhattan. Apple rode north in a crate with Curry, a Chihuahua mix that was with her when she was found in Mississippi. Apple is cute and workers doubt the brown, short-haired mutt with hints of a black mask will spend much time in her temporary home at an adoption center before finding a permanent home. "Apple isn't going to be around very long," said Laura Nelson, director of relocation outreach for the nonprofit organization. Similar to a program that rounded up and moved homeless animals after Hurricane Katrina devastated the Gulf Coast in 2005, the relocation effort began in 2014. It sends animals from areas with lots of strays or unwanted animals to areas where there's a large demand for rescue animals but a small supply. In the West, the organization said, animals are typically relocated from Southern California to the

Northwest; animals from Texas are sent as far north as the Great Lakes. A large number of animals come from the South, a fertile breeding ground for strays because of the verdant landscape and warm temperatures. Since many communities in places like Mississippi and Alabama lack funding for programs to spay or neuter lots of animals, the relocation program frequently moves animals from there to places including New York and New England, where stray populations aren't as large but demand for animals is huge. Holding Apple in her lap, board member Michele Anderson of the Oktibbeha County Humane Society in Mississippi said the transportation program saves the lives of animals that otherwise could wind up being euthanized. □

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# Biologists: Killing hungry sea lions saving imperiled fish

By GILLIAN FLACCUS

**PORTLAND, Ore. (AP)** — A plan to kill California sea lions to save an endangered run of fish on a river that cuts through Portland, Oregon, appears to be working just months after wildlife officials began euthanizing the giant marine mammals, biologists said Thursday.

The Oregon Department of Fish and Wildlife began killing the sea lions in January after getting permission from federal authorities late last year. They have killed 16 so far, including three on Wednesday, said department spokeswoman Michelle Dennehy.

In the same period, 2,400 steelhead fish have reached the upper Willamette River and its tributaries to spawn this spring — the most in three years and double last year's tally, the agency said.

Less than 30 years ago, the number of steelhead making that journey was at least 15,000 a year but pollution and the construction of dams on key rivers reduced that number dramatically.

Sea lions have been eating an additional 25% of all returning steelhead at that spot in the Willamette



In this March 14, 2018 file photo, a California sea lion designated #U253 heads towards the Pacific Ocean after being released in Newport, Ore.

River south of Portland, said Shaun Clements, ODFW's senior policy analyst.

"We've definitely been able to reduce predation this year and provide some relief to the fish," he said. "We're saving considerable numbers of them."

Clements added that other factors, such as better conditions in the Pacific Ocean, are also contributing to larger numbers of

steelhead making it over the falls this year.

After a weeklong lull, state biologists are now killing a second wave of sea lions that have traveled to the base of the falls to munch on another salmonid species, the spring chinook.

The spring chinook run is also listed under the Endangered Species Act and biologists estimate sea lions are eating up to 9% of

the returning adults each spring, Clements said. Up to 40 sea lions are preying on the chinook, he said, while only 12 were going after the steelhead.

The adult male sea lions, which weigh nearly 1,000 pounds (454 kilograms) each, have learned that they can loiter under Willamette Falls, a horseshoe-shaped waterfall south of Portland, and snack on

the vulnerable steelhead and salmon as the fish power their way upriver to the streams where they hatched.

Steelhead start life as freshwater trout and then travel to sea from inland rivers, grow to adulthood as steelhead in the Pacific Ocean and then return to their natal river to spawn. They can grow to 55 pounds (25 kilograms) and live up to 11 years.

The sea lions breed each summer off Southern California and northern Mexico, then the males cruise up the Pacific Coast to forage. Hunted for their thick fur, the mammals' numbers dropped dramatically but have rebounded from 30,000 in the late 1960s to about 300,000 today because of the 1972 Marine Mammal Protection Act.

With their numbers growing, the dog-faced sea lions are venturing ever farther inland up the Columbia River and its tributaries in Oregon and Washington. The two states have had a similar program in place for years to kill California sea lions that eat threatened and endangered salmon at the Bonneville Dam on the Columbia River. □

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In this Sunday, Dec. 14, 2008 file photo, Italian solo rower Alex Bellini arrives at the Opera House in Sydney, Australia.

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## Explorer to trace flow of plastics down 10 rivers into seas

By COLLEEN BARRY

Associated Press

**MILAN (AP)** — Italian explorer Alex Bellini plans to travel down the world's 10 most polluted rivers on makeshift rafts, tracing the routes of plastics that pollute the world's oceans.

Bellini said Thursday that he was inspired by a 2018 study by a German scientist that found 80% of plastic in the world's oceans arrives from just 10 rivers.

He began with a voyage down the Ganges River in India on a raft built from garbage last month and intends to complete journeys on all 10 on similarly constructed rafts by 2021, including the Yangtze, the Niger and the Mekong. His

final stop will be the Great Pacific Ocean garbage patch.

Bellini, who has rowed solo across two oceans for more than 35,000 kilometers (nearly 22,000 miles), said he became aware of pollution in the ocean while rowing from Peru to Australia in 2008. But he said he was surprised to learn that most plastics in the seas arrive by rivers and not from coastal areas.

His new journeys are aimed at raising awareness about the source of ocean plastic, which according to the U.N. environment assembly is accumulating in oceans at a rate of 8 million tons a year.

The damage to wildlife of

ocean plastic was made clear with the death last month of a whale that beached on the northern coast of Sardinia in Italy with 22 kilograms (48.5 pounds) of plastic in its belly.

"The ocean is a no-man's land, meaning what is found in the ocean belongs to no one, therefore it is no one's responsibility to go take away that stuff," Bellini said. "But research brings the problem closer to us, in the rivers. So everyone needs to take his own responsibility."

Bellini is supported by the One Ocean Foundation, founded by the Yacht Club Costa Smeralda in Sardinia, with a mission to safeguard the seas. □



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## German birthplace marks Bauhaus centenary with new museum

By GEIR MOULSON

Associated Press

WEIMAR, Germany (AP) —

The German city where the Bauhaus was born a century ago is paying tribute to the school behind a string of modern design icons with a new museum opening Friday meant to anchor it in its turbulent historical context.

The Bauhaus Museum in Weimar, a functional but elegant concrete cube designed by German architect Heike Hanada, showcases many of the items that blurred the lines between the artistic and the industrial — producing some of the precursors of modern mass design and helping make the Bauhaus influential far beyond its relatively brief existence.

Visitors can admire exhibits such as Peter Keler's cradle made of a blue circle, a yellow triangle and red square, produced in 1922 under the direction of artist Wassily Kandinsky; Wilhelm Wagenfeld's domed table lamp of 1924; Ludwig Mies van der Rohe's steel easy chair and stool from 1929, and early precursors of the fitted kitchen.

But the museum also explores the wider and constantly shifting ambitions of the Bauhaus, which started work in April 1919 under ar-



A man holds a camera during the press preview prior to the opening of the new Bauhaus Museum of the 'Klassik Stiftung Weimar' (Classic Foundation Weimar) in Weimar, Germany, Thursday, April 4, 2019.

chitect Walter Gropius as Germany grappled with its political future after World War I. It reflects the political troubles that forced the school to move twice then close down shortly after the Nazis came to power in 1933.

The aim is not just to show off architecture and design but also to see the school and its leading lights "in their diversity, with their contradictions and how they are anchored in the 20th century," said Benjamin-Immanuel Hoff,

Thuringia state's culture minister.

Weimar stands for both the high points of German classical culture and the low points of the country's history. It was home to the poets Johann Wolfgang von Goethe and Friedrich Schiller and composer Franz Liszt, but later to the Nazis' notorious Buchenwald concentration camp.

The new museum offers views toward the historical center and a tower built as a memorial to Buchenwald. It was built next

door to the Gauforum, a monumental Nazi-era administrative complex and parade ground, where a permanent exhibit on Nazi slave labor is to open next year.

The Bauhaus itself fell foul of right-leaning local authorities in Weimar — long suspicious of its unconventional students and teachers — who slashed funding in 1925.

That forced it to move northeast to Dessau, then a rising industrial city, where the iconic glass-fronted

Bauhaus headquarters and a residential estate with 90 apartments were built. Dessau's Nazi-dominated council forced the Bauhaus to close in 1932, and an attempt by Mies van der Rohe — the last director — to keep it going in Berlin lasted only a few months. Gropius, the first Bauhaus director, left Weimar a collection of 168 Bauhaus objects including ceramics, metalwork, furniture and rugs that is a mainstay of the museum's collection. It survived World War II packed up in a room at Weimar's city palace.

Curators are keen to stress that the Bauhaus didn't come from nowhere, and the collection at the simultaneously restored Neues Museum nearby underlines that — showcasing work by Belgian designer Henry van de Velde and others that foreshadowed the school's attempts to fuse fine and applied art. Bauhaus Museum director Ulrike Bestgen said it's a myth that "everything was totally revolutionary and totally new." But Gropius and his associates took a very different direction. Gropius' Bauhaus manifesto urged young people to "help work not just on physical construction but on a new society," Bestgen said. □

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## Unseen photos of Frida Kahlo by her lover to be auctioned

By SIGAL RATNER-ARIAS

Associated Press

NEW YORK (AP) —

Frida Kahlo with her head wrapped in bandages. Diego Rivera posing with a gas mask. Miguel Covarrubias at the beach. The photographs of the three Mexican painters and other works by Nickolas Muray, many of them never seen before, are going on sale this week in New York. The images, dating from around 1925 to 1946, are among 78 portraits by the renowned Hungarian-born American photographer, who had a decade-long affair with Kahlo after meeting her in 1931. They will be auctioned Friday as part of Sotheby's "Photographs" sale, each with a starting price of \$15,000.

"It is the first time that such a large group of photographs by this

artist, by Nickolas Muray, go on sale," Sotheby's specialist Aimee Pflieger told The Associated Press in a recent interview.

The anonymous consigner originally bought them from the photographer's estate, according to the auction house.

Muray met Kahlo and Rivera through Covarrubias, whom he befriended while working for Vanity Fair, where Covarrubias served as a cartoonist. They later introduced him to other prominent figures of the arts.

There are at least 20 photographs of Kahlo, Rivera or both of them together.

Pflieger noted that the collection "doesn't necessarily show the progression of the relationship between Frida and Nickolas, but it does show this incredibly wide

range of people that were involved in their circle."

Portraits of composer Carlos Chávez, muralist Roberto Montenegro and actress Margo Albert are some examples.

Many photos of Kahlo shot by Muray have become iconic, like one from 1939 in which the painter appears with her hair braided through with purple yarn and wrapped around her head in a sort of crown while a deep magenta shawl drapes her shoulders. Some are currently on display at the Brooklyn Museum, as part of "Frida Kahlo: Appearances Can Be Deceiving."

But Pflieger said the ones in the sale are much more intimate. The collection can be seen at the auction house in New York or online, at [www.sothebys.com](http://www.sothebys.com). □



This 1940 photo provided by Sotheby's shows artist Frida Kahlo with her head suspended by straps. The image is part of a collection of photographs by Nicholas Muray up for auction on Friday, April 5, 2019.

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# Henson, Rockwell bring sensitivity to true-life tale

By JOCELYN NOVECK

Associated Press

If you didn't know that "The Best of Enemies" was based on a true story, you'd likely find the premise preposterous, and for a movie, probably ill-advised: A lowbrow Klan leader in North Carolina and a black single mom/community activist are forced into dialogue and become lifelong friends and allies. Really?? Wait, you'd think, is this an-

other sorry effort to make a feel-good film about the history of race relations in the United States? Well, it can't help but feel good, but the story actually happened: activist Ann Atwater and C.P. Ellis, the Exalted Cyclops of a clan group in Durham, formed an enduring partnership for more than three decades. Atwater even delivered the eulogy at Ellis' funeral.

"The Best of Enemies," by



This image released by STXfilms shows Sam Rockwell in a scene from "The Best of Enemies."

Associated Press

writer-director Robin Bissell, is the latest of a series of recent films to tackle the history of racism in America, including the Oscar-winning but divisive "Green Book" and the much, much better "BlackKkKlansman" by Spike Lee. While much of Bissell's film is poignantly rendered, especially the spirited lead performances by Taraji P. Henson and Sam Rockwell, it has its flaws and its omissions.

For example, we see much more of Ellis' daily life, with family and friends, than we see of Atwater's. Though there's an important subplot involving Ellis' disabled child and the impact of that challenge on him and his wife, Mary (a sensitive Anne Heche), it seems less than balanced; there's just a lot more detail about Ellis than about Atwater, or about Durham's black community at large.

That's probably because the film needs to find a way to lay the groundwork for how a man like Ellis came to be in the Klan, and then for the most stunning part of the story: his seemingly sudden transformation.

But the film isn't only about that transformation. It's also a somewhat fascinating deep dive into an arcane process of community

problem-solving called a "charrette" — ever heard of it? — that was used to resolve the thorny issue of school integration in Durham. More on that in a minute. We begin with introductions, first to Atwater (Henson, aided by lots of costume padding) and her relentless advocacy for fair housing. Her efforts bring her in front of a town council run by reactionary white men who quietly sympathize with Ellis and his cohorts (one member even defiantly turns his swivel chair around when Atwater speaks.) As for Ellis, we meet him as he's recruiting youth for a Klan corps. He's devoted to his Klan buddies, and the film seems to try to show that for him, it isn't just an odiously racist undertaking but also a means of belonging to something, for the first time in his life. The plot really gets going when a frightening fire guts the school attended by Durham's black pupils (nearly two decades after Brown vs. Board of Education, integration hasn't hit Durham).

Atwater immediately argues that black students be integrated into the white school. The NAACP files suit, and the judge turns to an expert from Raleigh to

conduct the "charrette" — basically, forced negotiation under deadline.

The expert, Bill Riddick (Babou Ceesay), asks Atwater and Ellis to be co-chairs of the two-week process. At first they hate the idea. Then they realize they're the best chance for their constituencies.

On the process goes, punctuated by dirty, vote-suppressing tactics from the white side. A white woman who sympathizes with the black community, for example, gets a chilling visit at home from two Klan guys and one baseball bat. Ellis, though, is slowly changing, and Rockwell does a finely paced job here, one that will leave us surprised but not totally shocked at his final action.

The film ends, not surprisingly, with an inspiring scene that may leave you misty-eyed. Here again, though, there seems a bit of a missed opportunity. What happened to Ellis after his break with the Klan? Do some reading and you'll see he was shunned by his former associates and his life threatened. It might have been interesting — and grounding — to see something about how life unfolded for both characters in ensuing years. □

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# Cast says goodbye to groundbreaking HBO's 'Game of Thrones'

By **JOHN CARUCCI**

**Associated Press**

**NEW YORK (AP)** — Sophie Turner wore her waterproof mascara. The actress knew there would be a lot of crying.

She and the rest of the cast of "Game of Thrones" descended on Radio City Music Hall on Wednesday to bid farewell to the HBO hit show after eight seasons.

"It's very exciting because there's a whole new chapter of our lives we're embarking on, but it's also really sad because this other chapter is closing, and we won't be able to play these amazing characters anymore," said Turner, who plays Sansa Stark. "I've got my waterproof mascara on tonight because I know there'll be a lot of crying."

The groundbreaking HBO series, based on the popular book series by George R.R. Martin, has had crazy twists, eye-popping turns and a measure of fearlessness, like killing off main characters. It also has one of the most dynamic battle scenes ever filmed in an episode called, "Battle of the Bastards." Pilou Asbaek, who plays Euron Greyjoy,



**Maisie Williams, left, and Sophie Turner attend HBO's "Game of Thrones" final season premiere at Radio City Music Hall on Wednesday, April 3, 2019, in New York.**

said fans can expect even more of those moments in the last few shows. The last season premieres April 14. "There's going to be a couple of episodes in season 8 which is going to be madness, which is going to be

epic, which is going to be the biggest ever seen on TV," Asbaek said. Jason Momoa came back from the dead to attend Wednesday's event. His character was killed off in the first season.

"It's the greatest show on Earth and nine years ago I didn't think I'd be here right now. It's just beautiful to see my friends off, wish them luck and show the world that it's the greatest show," Momoa said.

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Kristian Nairn, who portrays the simple-minded Hodor in the series, was the subject of a full-frontal nude scene that made him proud because it shows the inclusion the creators have for the world they created.

"I'm not your average Hollywood actor and to be able to take your clothes off onscreen, I think that just shows what 'Game of Thrones' is all about. It's inclusive," he said. "You don't have to look like a Hollywood A-list to be in 'Game of Thrones.' I think that's the way the acting culture should move. It's supposed to be inclusive these days. We all look different so that's why I took the chance to appear naked." Kristofer Hivju, who played the role of Tormund Giantsbane, pointed to the show's unpredictability as part of its strength.

"It doesn't follow the rules of storytelling. It follows the rules of life and the rules of death. And it's unpredictable. It's like a sports event. You don't know what's going to happen. Boom! Something happens. Boom! Always something," he said. □

## After a slow start, Max Allan Collins' novel soars

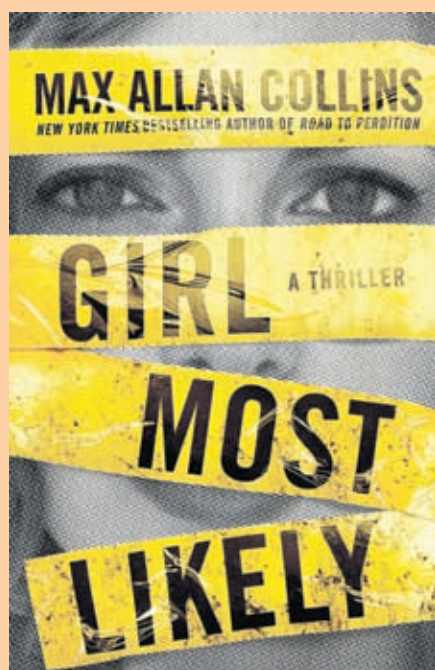
By **BRUCE DESILVA**

**Associated Press**

"Girl Most Likely" by Max Allan Collins (Thomas & Mercer) For a novel with a grisly murder in the short first chapter, Max Allan Collins's new mystery, "Girl Most Likely," gets off to a remarkably slow start.

For the next 70 pages, the author introduces a large number of characters, some of whom play insignificant roles in the drama to come. He does a fine job of vividly portraying the charms of historic Galena, Illinois, hometown of Ulysses S. Grant; but he also tediously describes what every character, no matter how minor, is wearing, right down to shoe brands and the color of their pocket squares.

When the action finally picks up again with another murder, the reader senses it may not be the last.



**This cover image released by Thomas & Mercer shows "Girl Most Likely," a thriller by Max Allan Collins.**

**Associated Press**

The plot revolves around a 10th reunion for the graduates of Ga-

lena High School. Weeks before the event, someone with reason to fear what the graduates might remember about him has already begun to kill.

The first to die is a Clearwater, Florida, woman who was planning to return to her hometown for the event. But when another classmate is stabbed to death on the night of the reunion, the little Galena Police Department, which hasn't had a murder case in decades, faces a major challenge.

Its leader, Krista Larson, also a member of the graduating class, is just 28 years old—the youngest police chief in the nation. And she is new to the job. For help, she turns to her father Keith, a retired police detective. The two protagonists are particularly well-drawn, and their relationship is the most compelling part of the story.

Their investigation focuses on

the second victim, Astrid Lund, a Chicago TV reporter who had a habit of stealing other girls' boyfriends. Krista's included in high school. Could that explain why she was targeted? Perhaps, but Astrid had been investigating the Chicago mob as well as looking into an old sex abuse case.

Although Krista's dad spends some time in Chicago running down the mob angle, it is apparent from the start that the motive for the killings lies in Galena.

Collins, a Mystery Writers of America Grand Master whose numerous works include "The Road to Perdition," supplies dozens of suspects; and it takes Krista and her dad until the final pages to unravel the mystery.

As always with a novel by Collins, the prose is first rate. His story will prove satisfying to readers who stick with him through the slow windup. □





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